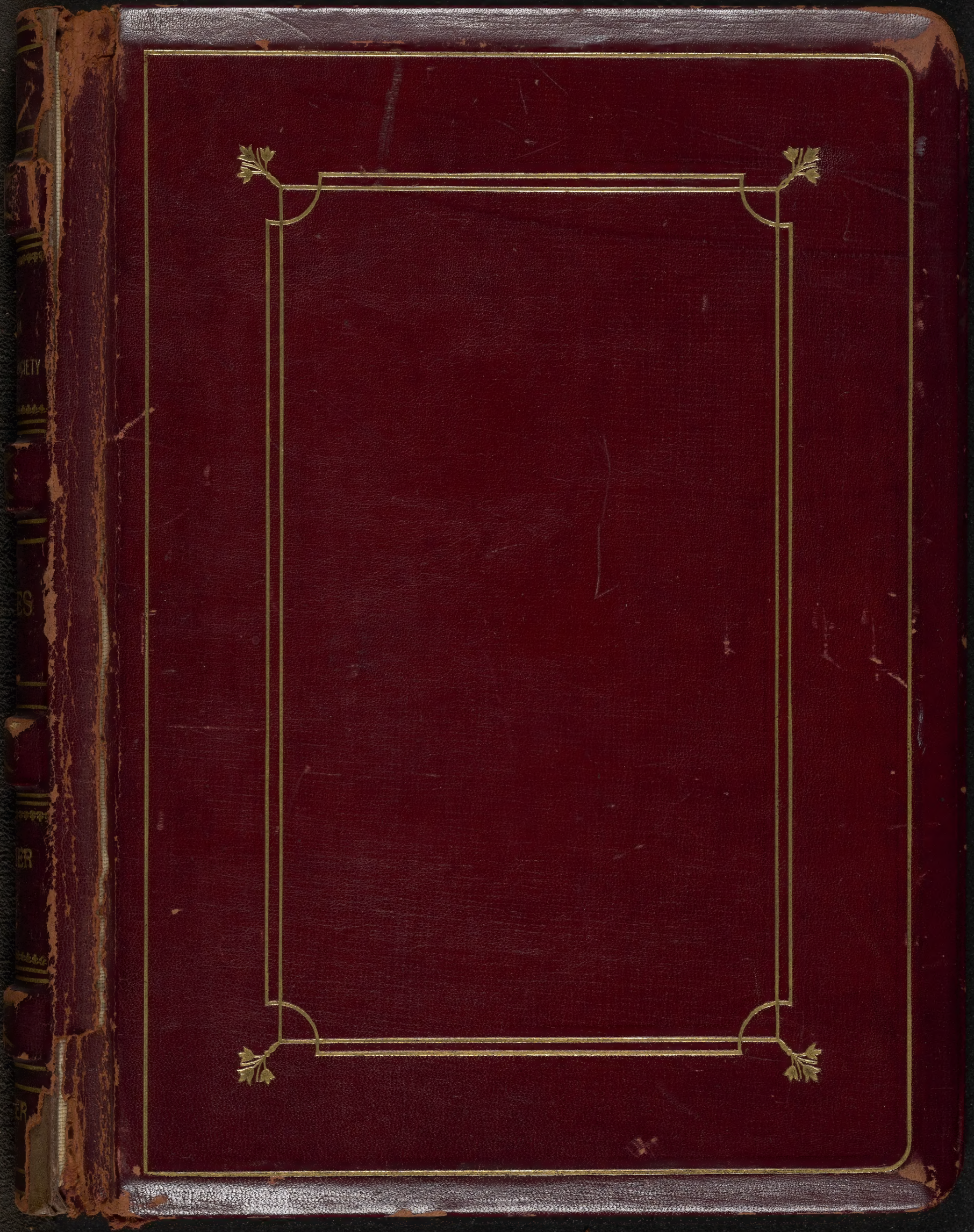
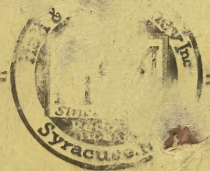






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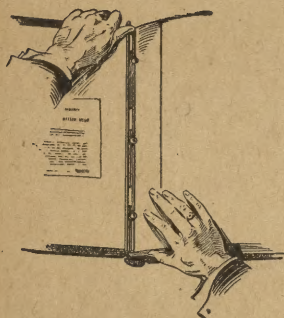
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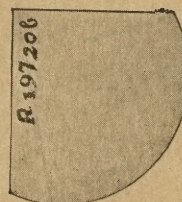
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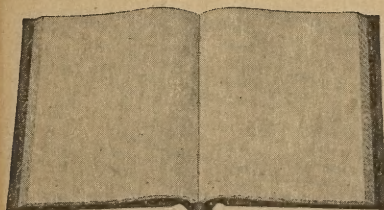
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A regular meeting of the EXECUTIVE COUNCIL of THE PENNSYLVANIA HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY was held in the rooms of the Society, 1600 Arch Street on the above date.

Those present were Mr. James Boyd, Mrs. William T. Elliott, Mrs. Horatio Gates Lloyd, Mr. C. F. C. Stout, Mr. Fitz Eugene Dixon, Mr. John P. Habermehl, Mr. Henry F. Michell, Mr. W. Atlee Burpee, Jr., Mr. S. S. Pennock, Mr. W. Hinckle Smith, Mr. William J. Serrill, and Mr. David Rust.

The President was in the Chair.

The Minutes of the last meeting were approved as published and distributed.

In accordance with By-law 7, Section 4, there being no quorum present for the Annual Meeting, the Judge of Election reported to the Executive Council that there were 366 ballots cast, of these 26 were discarded because name of member voting was not placed on outside envelope, and 340 were counted. He gave the votes in detail showing the election of the following members of the Executive Council:

For three years:

Mr. Fitz Eugene Dixon,	Mr. David Rust,
Mrs. William T. Elliott,	Mr. William J. Serrill,
Mr. S. S. Pennock,	Mr. C. F. C. Stout.

To fill the unexpired term of Mr. J. L. Eysmans (two years):

Mr. J. Franklin McFadden.

The President stated that Mrs. William R. Mercer had expressed the hope that this Society would contribute to the Charles Sprague Sargent Memorial Fund of the Arnold Arboretum. ~~She~~ suggested that \$1000 would be an appropriate amount.

The President stated that another subject to be considered was the Guarantee Fund of the Philadelphia Flower Show. He said that the Exhibition Committee had considered the subject and were of the opinion that instead of giving a stated sum as last year, we should guarantee \$5000 this year.

The President reminded the Council that the vacancy in the Council caused by the resignation of Mrs. J. Willis Martin should be filled at this meeting. Several names had been suggested, particularly those of Mr. Furness, Mr. Harper and Mr. Douglas, but that he felt that as the vacancy was caused by the resignation of a lady another lady should be elected to fill her place. The names of Mrs. Carroll S. Tyson, Mrs. Edward M. Cheston, Mrs. D. Braden Kyle and Mrs. William R. Mercer were suggested.

At this point the President asked Mr. S. S. Pennock to take the Chair.

The Secretary reported that Mrs. Hacker, Mr. Wister and Mr. Williams had notified him of their inability to attend the meeting.

Twenty-seven persons, whose names were read by the Secretary, having been proposed for membership, were duly elected members of the Society; twenty-six annual members and one life member. This makes a total membership of 1320.

The Secretary reported as follows:

Membership November 1, 1926, 1100

Membership November 1, 1927, 1317

Lost by death:			
Honorary Members	2		
Life Members	4		
Annual Members	<u>17</u>	23	
Resigned		15	
Dropped		<u>45</u>	83

Taken in during past year 265.

This makes a net gain during past year of 217, or 34 more than the previous year.

The Secretary read a letter from Mr. J. Franklin McFadden recommending the passage of the following resolution pertaining to the Red Cross, and on motion of Mrs. Lloyd, duly seconded, it was adopted as follows:

WHEREAS, The necessity and usefulness of the Red Cross have been demonstrated again by its service in Florida after the hurricane, and in the Mississippi Valley following the flood;
WHEREAS, The Red Cross was called upon every four days during the past twelve months to aid in disasters in this country of which seven were in the State of Pennsylvania:

WHEREAS, The Red Cross must be ready at all times to answer calls for aid, and for this reason is asking for a membership double that of last year: it is,

RESOLVED, That this organization urge its members to enroll in the Red Cross, and that our members cooperate to the fullest extent with the Eleventh Annual Roll Call in the period between Armistice Day and Thanksgiving.

The Chair stated that nominations were in order for the officers of the Society to serve during 1928.

On motion of Mr. Dixon, duly seconded, it was,
RESOLVED, That the present incumbents of office be renominated.

On motion of Mr. Dixon, duly seconded, it was,
RESOLVED, That the Secretary be instructed to cast a ballot electing the officers.

The Secretary cast the ballot as follows:

President - Mr. James Boyd
Vice-Presidents - Mr. C.F.C. Stout & Mr. Henry F. Michell
Treasurer - Mr. S. S. Pennock
Secretary - Mr. David Rust

The Chair then declared the above duly elected to serve as officers of this Society during 1928.

The Secretary reported for the Schaffer Memorial Committee that they recommended to the Council that the present resolution governing the award of the Schaffer Memorial Medal be rescinded and the following resolution be adopted in its place:

RESOLVED, That the Schaffer Memorial Medal shall be awarded at such times as the Executive Council of The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society may direct, to any person or persons, who, in the opinion of the Executive Council, have done outstanding meritorious work in the interest of Horticulture.

On motion of Mr. Boyd, duly seconded, it was,
RESOLVED, That the previous resolution be rescinded.

On motion of Mr. Serrill, duly seconded, it was,
RESOLVED, That the above resolution recommended by the Committee
be adopted.

After some discussion, on motion of Mr. Michell, duly seconded,
it was,

RESOLVED, That the Society contribute \$1000 to the Charles
Sprague Sargent Memorial Fund of the Arnold Arboretum.

Discussion then ensued as to the guarantee fund of the Philadelphia
Flower Show. Mr. Burpee made a motion, seconded by Mr. Michell, that the Soc-
iety give \$1000 to the Philadelphia Flower Show and guarantee \$4000. This
motion was withdrawn.

On motion of Mr. Boyd, duly seconded, it was,
RESOLVED, That the Society guarantee \$5000 to the Philadelphia
Flower Show.

On motion of Mrs. Lloyd, duly seconded, it was,
RESOLVED, That Mrs. William R. Mercer, Doylestown, Penna.,
be elected a member of the Executive Council to fill the
vacancy caused by the resignation of Mrs. J. Willis Martin.

Mrs. Elliott reported for the Lecture Committee that three lectures
had been arranged for the coming season. She also reported that she had pro-
cured estimates and would need about \$300 to cover the windows of the Auditor-
ium of the Insurance Company of North America Building. Mr. Boyd stated that
this should not come out of the appropriation of the Lecture Committee but be
charged to Furniture and Fixtures and depreciated each year.

On motion of Mr. Serrill, duly seconded, it was,
RESOLVED, That this money should be given to the Lecture Committee
for that purpose.

Mr. Serrill reported for the Centennial Committee that of the 1300
invitations sent out less than 100 had been heard from. Some discussion follow-
ed about the Centenary Dinner.

Mr. Serrill, on behalf of Miss Mary Evans, presented to the Executive
Council a picture of Horace Binney, Miss Evans's grandfather, who was the first
President of this Society.

On motion of Mr. Smith, duly seconded, it was,
RESOLVED, That the Secretary be instructed to draw up proper
resolutions of thanks for Miss Evans.

There being no further business, on motion, the meeting adjourned.

Wm. Boyd

President.

David Rust

Secretary.

December 21, 1927.

A regular meeting of the EXECUTIVE COUNCIL of THE PENNSYLVANIA HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY was held in the rooms of the Society, 1600 Arch Street, on the above date.

Those present were Mr. James Boyd and Mr. David Rust.

No quorum being present the meeting was adjourned until January 4, 1928.

James Boyd
// President.

David Rust
Secretary.

January 4, 1928.

An adjourned meeting of the EXECUTIVE COUNCIL of THE PENNSYLVANIA HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY was held in the rooms of the Society, 1600 Arch Street, on the above date.

Those present were Mr. James Boyd, Mrs. William T. Elliott, Mrs. Horatio Gates Lloyd, Mr. W. Atlee Burpee, Jr., Mr. John Williams, Mr. S.S. Pennock, Mr. John P. Habermehl, Mr. Louis Burk, Mr. C. F. C. Stout, and Mr. David Rust.

The President was in the Chair.

The Minutes of the last meeting were approved as published and distributed.

The Secretary reported that Mrs. Hacker and Mr. Serrill had notified him of their inability to attend the meeting.

The President asked Mr. Rust if he was ready to comply with the request made to him by the Executive Committee on the previous day. Mr. Rust then addressed the Council referring to his thirty-one years of service as Secretary of the Society and to the conditions of resignation as outlined by the Executive Committee. The President, to make the matter clear, stated that the Committee had agreed that Mr. Rust's compensation for the year 1928 should be at the same monthly rate that he was now receiving until he found other occupation. If other occupation is secured at a lower salary, the Society will pay to him the monthly difference until the end of the year. The President also explained that until Mr. Rust found other occupation the Society would call upon him to stage their exhibitions and to prepare the hall for the lectures, etc. Mr. Rust then offered his resignation as Secretary of the Society and also as a member of the Executive Council.

Mr. Rust then retired and Miss Samuel acted as Secretary of this meeting.

On motion, duly made and seconded, it was,
RESOLVED, That the resignation of Mr. Rust as Secretary of the Society be accepted.

On motion, duly made and seconded, it was,
RESOLVED, That the resignation of Mr. Rust as a member of the Executive Council of this Society be accepted.

The President appointed Mr. Williams and Mr. Pennock to draw up suitable resolutions on the resignation of Mr. Rust and to present them at the next meeting of the Council.

Thirty-three persons, whose names were read by the Secretary, having been proposed for membership, were duly elected members of the Society.

On nomination of Mr. Williams, duly seconded, Mr. John C. Wister was unanimously elected Secretary of this Society.

The President reminded the Council that there was still a vacancy caused by the resignation of Mrs. J. Willis Martin.

On nomination of Mrs. Lloyd, duly seconded, Mrs. Edward M. Cheston was unanimously elected a member of the Executive Council to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Mrs. J. Willis Martin.

The President suggested that the vacancy caused by the resignation of Mr. Rust should be filled at the next meeting. The names of Mr. J. Horace McFarland, of Harrisburg, Mr. Robert Pyle, of West Grove, Mr. Fairman Rogers Furness of Media, and Mr. William Warner Harper of Chestnut Hill were suggested.

In the absence of Mr. Serrill, the President then presented the report of the Centennial Committee.

On motion of Mrs. Elliott, duly seconded, it was,
RESOLVED, That a vote of thanks be extended to Mr. Serrill and the Centennial Committee for their great success in the Centennial Celebration.

On motion of Mr. Pennock, duly seconded, it was,
RESOLVED, That a vote of thanks be extended to Mr. Habermehl for his efforts in giving the Society such a beautiful floral display at the Centennial Dinner.

The Secretary read a letter to the President from Mrs. Bayard Henry, President of the John Bartram Association, thanking the Council for their contribution of \$500.00 for the Bartram Garden.

The Secretary read a letter from Mrs. Bayard Henry written to Mr. Stout as Chairman of the Finance Committee urging the Society to contribute toward the maintenance of John Bartram's Garden in 1928 and explaining some of the uses to which our former contribution had been applied.

On motion of Mrs. Lloyd, duly seconded, it was,
RESOLVED, That this matter be referred to the Finance Committee for consideration and recommendation.

The Secretary then read letters from Dr. Dercum, Mr. Pyle, Mr. McFarland, and Mr. Farrington congratulating the Society on its Centennial Anniversary and the success of the Dinner.

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The Secretary read the following letter from Mr. C. Hartman Kuhn to Mr. Serrill:

My dear Sir:-

It is with extreme regret that I am obliged to absent myself from the proposed dinner celebrating the 100th Anniversary of The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society to which I have been kindly invited on Monday, the 28th of November. I am sailing for Europe for a short visit on November 26th and shall, therefore, be on the high seas at the time of the dinner, much to my disappointment.

I feel certain that the coming celebration marks a milestone in the progressive work accomplished by this Society. Its effort during the past few years to not only awaken but keep alive an interest in its work for the encouragement of horticulture has been most noticeable and certainly is appreciated by the lovers of horticulture and the public at large.

May the future hold for the Society an even greater record of progress than the past, if that is possible, and with a most sincere wish for the continuance of its splendid achievements, I remain

Very sincerely,

(Signed) C. HARTMAN KUHN.

The President read a report of the Exhibition Committee of which he is Chairman:

During the past week it was discovered that at a regular meeting of the Executive Council held on February 16th, while the Chairman was absent from the country, a letter signed by three members of the Society requesting that the exhibition of plants and flowers at the lectures of the Society should be resumed, had been read before the Council and by resolution was referred to the Exhibition Committee.

At a recent meeting of the Exhibition Committee, careful consideration was given to this matter and it was agreed to recommend to the Council that prizes should be offered for plants to be exhibited at the three lectures, to be held this winter. The Exhibition Committee suggests that the cut flowers exhibited should remain for exhibition in the Society's rooms as long as they last, and if the Council approves, they will provide for the prizes in their budget for 1928.

On motion of Mr. Williams, duly seconded, it was,
RESOLVED, That this recommendation of the Exhibition Committee be accepted.

A second recommendation was read as follows:

We also find that at the same meeting, Mr. Pennock stated on behalf of the American Rose Society, that they thought The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society should assume the leadership in arrangements with the Commissioners of Fairmount Park to establish a Municipal Rose Garden. Your Committee has given careful consideration to this subject, and does not feel that this Society should assume such leadership, but believes that they should cooperate and assist in anything of this sort that the American Rose Society may undertake. We feel that if we assume the leadership in a matter of this kind, we could not refuse to do likewise for the American Iris Society, American Peony Society, and in fact, any other Society that

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might ask for similar favors. We are glad to cooperate with all as far as possible, but we cannot show particular favors to anyone.

The President then told the Council that he had been asked by the publicity agent of the Philadelphia Flower Show for the Council's approval of the name "Flower Festival Commemorating the 100th Anniversary of The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society" for the 1928 Philadelphia Flower Show.

On motion of Mr. Pennock, duly seconded, it was,
RESOLVED, That this approval be given.

On motion of Mr. Stout, duly seconded, it was,
RESOLVED, That until further notice, Mr. David Rust should act as Executive Secretary and have power to sign checks in the Treasurer's absence.

There being no further business, on motion, the meeting adjourned.

James Boyd

President.

Maria B. Samuel

Secretary of Meeting.

January 18, 1928.

A regular meeting of the EXECUTIVE COUNCIL of THE PENNSYLVANIA HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY was held in the rooms of the Society, 1600 Arch Street on the above date.

Those present were Mr. James Boyd, Mrs. William T. Elliott, Mrs. Horatio Gates Lloyd, Mrs. Caspar W. Hacker, Mrs. Edward M. Cheston, Mr. Fitz Eugene Dixon, Mr. John Williams, Mr. Henry F. Michell, Mr. S. S. Pennock, Mr. William J. Serrill, Mr. J. Franklin McFadden, Mr. C. F. C. Stout, and Mr. John C. Wister.

The President was in the Chair.

The Minutes of the last meeting were approved as published and distributed.

The President introduced the new Secretary, Mr. John C. Wister, who expressed his appreciation of the Council's confidence in him and told of the circumstances under which he had accepted the position.

Twelve persons whose names were read, having been proposed for membership, were duly elected members of the Society; making a total of 1351.

Mr. Burpee and Mr. Habermehl notified the Secretary of their inability to attend the meeting.

The Council approved the Standing Committees for 1928 as appointed by the President; as follows:

Executive Committee

Mr. Henry F. Michell,
Mr. John Williams,
Mr. William J. Serrill,
Mr. Benjamin Bullock,
Mr. James Boyd, Chairman.

Library Committee

Mrs. John S. Newbold,
Mrs. F. Von A. Cabeen, Jr.
Mrs. William J. Willcox,
Mrs. Arthur E. Billings,
Mrs. H. G. Lloyd, Chairman.

Lecture & Educational Committee

Mrs. Horatio Gates Lloyd,
Mr. John C. Wister,
Mrs. William T. Elliott, Chairman.

Finance & Accounting Committee

Mr. S. S. Pennock,
Mr. Fitz Eugene Dixon,
Mr. C. F. C. Stout, Chairman.

Exhibition Committee

Mrs. William T. Elliott,
Mrs. Edward M. Cheston,
Mr. Fitz Eugene Dixon,
Mr. W. Atlee Burpee, Jr.,
Mr. John Williams, Chairman.

Garden Committee

Mrs. Frank H. Moss,
Miss Mary F. Wright,
Mrs. Caspar W. Hacker, Chairman.

The President then asked for nominations to fill the vacancy in the Executive Council caused by the resignation of Mr. Rust. Mr. J. Horace McFarland, Mr. Fairman Rogers Furness, and Mr. William Warner Harper were nominated. The election was then held and resulted as follows: Fairman Rogers Furness 8, J. Horace McFarland 3, William Warner Harper 1. Mr. Fairman Rogers Furness was therefore elected to fill the above vacancy.

Mrs. Elliott reported for the Lecture Committee as follows:

The Lecture and Educational Committee met with Mr. Boyd, ex-officio, and gave careful consideration to the proposal of Mr. J. F. McFadden that The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society would create a collection of photographs of gardens about Philadelphia; the photographs to be taken by experts and to cost approximately \$3000; this collection to be exhibited here and subsequently exhibited in other places and possibly an exchange system inaugurated.

The Committee felt this might be carried out on a less expensive basis and a suggestion is made that The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society might have prepared a careful listing of outstanding gardens, big and little and then request their owners to furnish photographs of their respective gardens, one or more, of each garden, this could be assembled and from it a noteworthy exhibit be made giving Mr. McFadden's novel and excellent proposal its presentation and the public the enjoyment of a beautiful reproduction of Philadelphia's gardens.

Respectively submitted,

(Signed) ANNA ELLIOTT

Chairman.

Discussion then took place as to the practicability of such a plan, and on motion of Mr. Williams, duly seconded, it was,

RESOLVED, That Mr. McFadden be made Chairman of a Special Committee to consider this matter and report to the Council at the next meeting.

A report of the Finance Committee was read by Mr. C. F. C. Stout, Chairman. This report covered resolutions of instruction in reference to the accounting and accepted the report of Mr. John P. Herr, the Certified Public Accountant. The Accountant's report showed the estimated income available for 1928 Budget to be \$27,456.48, and the Finance Committee recommended that the income for the year be appropriated as follows:

Committees	
Executive	\$15,000.00
Lecture & Educational	750.00
Exhibition	5,000.00
Library	2,000.00
Garden	200.00
Arnold Arboretum	1,000.00
Bartram's Garden	500.00
School of Horticulture	1,000.00
Brown Canker Fund (Amer. Rose Society)	100.00
Special appropriations	
Curtains	300.00
Radiator covers	479.91
Depreciation	1,122.92
TOTAL	\$27,452.83

The Finance Committee further recommended that the donations to the Arnold Arboretum, Bartram's Garden, School of Horticulture and the American Rose Society for the Brown Canker Fund be paid in such a way and at such a time during the year as will best accommodate our finances and be given with the understanding that the money is to be used solely in the interest of and for the promotion of Horticulture.

On motion of Mr. McFadden, duly seconded, it was,

RESOLVED, That the report of the Finance Committee be accepted and approved.

The President's report was read and it was suggested that the total membership be mentioned and that a paragraph be added explaining the conditions of membership and urging a larger membership that with an increased income the work of the Society might be enlarged. With this addition the President's report was approved. (The President's report is appended hereto - See Pages 10A, 10B, 10C and 10D.)

On motion of Mr. Serrill, duly seconded, it was,

RESOLVED, That a vote of thanks be extended to Mr. Odell Houser for his services in connection with the publicity for the Centennial Dinner.

Mr. Williams offered the resolution which had been prepared on Mr. Rust's resignation as Secretary. The resolution was accepted as follows:

RESOLVED, That in accepting the resignation of Mr. David Rust as Secretary, the Executive Council of The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society wishes to record upon the minutes the deep appreciation of the Society for his thirty-one years of continuous and faithful service as Secretary. Furthermore they hope for his interest and cooperation in the future and wish him success and prosperity in any enterprise that he may undertake.

The President reminded the Council that no provision had been made in the Budget for the publishing of the History of the Society, and asked for suggestions as to the amount that should be published and whether it should go to the members free or be sold to those members who wished to buy it.

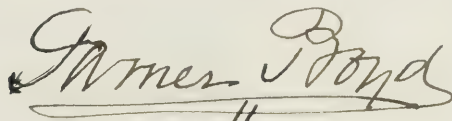
On motion of Mr. Pennock, duly seconded, it was,

RESOLVED, That notices be sent to all members soliciting subscriptions for the History.

On motion of Mrs. Lloyd, duly seconded, it was,

RESOLVED, That the History be published.

There being no further business, on motion, the meeting adjourned.



President.



Secretary.

The President's Report.

In congratulating the Society on the completion of its one hundredth year of existence, we should note briefly a few satisfactory conditions.

The Society today has a much larger membership than ever before since it was founded. The increase during the past year has been nearly 20%.

Our new quarters in the beautiful building of the Insurance Company of North America are all that could be desired for our purposes. For the first time since leaving our own Horticultural Hall on Broad Street, we are enabled to have our lectures and exhibitions in the same building with our offices and Library, and we are also privileged to store our exhibition equipment in the basement of the same building. This gives us a compact organization, and makes for convenience and economy. The present offices, Council Room, and Library were carefully planned for our purposes and the partitions were erected to suit our convenience. The auditorium has the advantage of an abundance of natural light and air. We wish it were somewhat larger as we found ourselves rather crowded at the Dahlia Exhibition.

I shall take this opportunity to recall the numerous temptations we have had in the past six or seven years to purchase property and convert it into suitable quarters for the purposes of the Society. We found that the cost of desirable property on streets like Walnut or Locust, or any of the cross streets between Broad and the Schuylkill River, or on or near the Parkway, was prohibitive. Of course, properties more remote from the center of the city could be purchased for less money, but in any event the cost of the land and the erection of the building would lock up so much of our funds that the revenue from the balance would not begin to pay our expenses. Furthermore, the larger part of our floor space would be required for an exhibition hall, and as the Society requires such space but a few days out of each year, it is truly extravagant to invest funds in a hall for which we have so little use. Some of our members still urge that the Society should own its own quarters, but those who have looked into the matter carefully believe that we are much better off as we are now situated. In this connection, it is interesting to note in the minutes of the Society, that, at a meeting held June 15, 1909, Mr. Clement B. Newbold who was then President, made the following remarks when the question of selling Horticultural Hall on Broad Street was under consideration: "The Hall is not a success for the purpose for which it was built, nor is it a success for the exhibitions of this Society. If the property can be sold and the money coming to this Society be invested, giving us a nice revenue, then this Society can be established on a solid basis, and thereby carry on the work for which it was organized, and be a benefit to Horticulture, not only locally but to the whole state."

We trust that the condition which he hoped for and looked forward to is now being realized.

Our Library has had many valuable and interesting additions during the past year, and all horticultural books of merit are purchased as soon as they are published. As a distinctly horticultural library, we believe it is surpassed in this country only by the library of the Massachusetts Society.

The lectures during the past year have been interesting and instructive. Large audiences have thoroughly enjoyed them, and the Lecture Committee has made very satisfactory arrangements for the coming season. The lectures will be held in the auditorium of the building at 1600 Arch Street, and we shall have greater seating capacity, better ventilation, and every accommodation that we could possibly desire.

Our exhibitions during the past year were well attended, but we were forced to shift for new quarters, as the Pennsylvania Museum and School of Industrial Art claimed that our use of Memorial Hall in Fairmount Park endangered their exhibits. They admitted that no harm had been done, but feared that the moisture of our plants and flowers might do some injury, and they also disliked to have their exhibits eclipsed even for a few days by our displays. We had greatly improved Memorial Hall by installing an electric lighting system of the highest type, and we had great satisfaction in inviting the public to enjoy our exhibitions without any charge. Our shows drew enormous crowds, and we believe brought thousands to the building that had never entered its doors before.

When the Trustees declined to permit us to continue in Memorial Hall, your Exhibition Committee searched the city thoroughly for a satisfactory hall in which to hold our Spring Show. We considered theatres, armories, and numerous public halls which were suitable for lectures and exhibitions. Many were too remote, some were too large, others too small, some had slanting floors, others had seats attached to the floors, some had no facilities for water, others had no elevators suitable to convey our exhibition material, plants, etc., and finally, in desperation, we leased the ball room of the new Penn Athletic Club on Rittenhouse Square. Here we had ample room, and the location was exceedingly good, but there was no natural light, and very poor ventilation; consequently our flowers wilted in a very few hours. Soon after this exhibition, we decided to move to new quarters where we have the advantage of the auditorium, storage, etc., which has been mentioned before.

The Philadelphia Flower Show, which was held in the Commercial Museum in March, and in which we cooperated with the Florists' Club of Philadelphia, was the most satisfactory show of the kind that has been held in many years. The exhibits surpassed those of the previous year in both quantity and quality. The hall was attractively decorated, and we were fortunately favored with pleasant weather. The admission charge was 50¢, and the attendance was over 50,000. A similar show will be held in the coming spring, March 19-24, and from present indications it will probably surpass all its predecessors.

The June Show, which was held in the Penn Athletic Club, had 514 entries, and prizes and medals to the amount of \$539.36 were awarded.

The Dahlia Show, held in the auditorium, was very successful and satisfactory. There were 553 entries, and prizes amounting to \$915.69 were awarded. The attendance at both shows was very good although an admission of 50¢ was charged to the public.

The Hardy Chrysanthemum Show, held on the third floor of the Insurance Company of North America building, was free to all and was visited by many people in the two days it lasted.

We continued our practice of exchanging gold medals with the Massachusetts Horticultural Society and the Horticultural Society of New York. Our gold medal in New York was awarded to Mrs. A. C. James for a bed of Begonias 20'x80' of artistic design, surrounded by turf with a low fence, and in Boston to the Chestnut Hill (Mass.) Garden Club for the most artistic exhibit staged.

The Schaffer Memorial Cup was won again by Mr. Samuel M. Vauclain as a sweepstake prize at all shows in 1927. Silver cups were given to the following Societies for prizes at their exhibitions:

Rutledge Horticultural Society
Ardmore Woman's Club
Lansdowne Horticultural Association
Doylestown Nature Club
Bala-Cynwyd Woman's Club

The Dahlia Challenge Cup was won by the Rutledge Horticultural Society.

The Robert C. Wright Rose Medal was awarded at the June Show to Mrs. T. William Roberts for the best individual rose exhibited by an amateur and shown in any class.

The Council Room has been used for seventy meetings during the past year by the following Societies and Committees:

Philadelphia Flower Show Committee
Executive Committee, Garden Clubs
Farm & Garden Association
Garden Visiting Committee
School of Horticulture
Wild Flower Preservation Committee
John Bartram Association
Council for the Preservation of Natural Beauty in Pennsylvania.

The centennial of the Society was celebrated on the 28th of November by a dinner at which many prominent persons interested in horticulture were present. The dinner was held in the Penn Athletic Club, and the floral decorations (by John P. Habermehl) were a special feature of the occasion. The details of the dinner, the speeches, etc., are given in the History of the Society which is being published, and will be available to members in a few months.

During the past year the Society lost by death about thirty members whose names will be found in the Necrology. Among them was Mr. Robert Craig, who served this Society for many years as a member of Council, as Vice-President, and as a Trustee of the Schaffer Fund. At one time he took an active part in all of our exhibitions, and in 1925 he was elected an Honorary Member. Another honorary member whose loss was deeply mourned was Prof. Charles Sprague Sargent, well-known throughout the horticultural world as the director of the Arnold Arboretum. We should also note the death of Mr. George Vaux, Jr., who was a life member and served for many years as a Trustee of the Schaffer Fund. Proper resolutions expressing the grief of the members of the Executive Council and the loss sustained by the Society were passed by the Council, and copies of the resolutions were sent to the families.

Nineteen members resigned on account of removal and for various other reasons, and forty-five were dropped for non-payment of dues.

As mentioned previously, the Society's increase during the past year has been nearly 20%, with the result that as of January 1, 1928, there were 1344 members. Naturally, this increase is very gratifying, but we hope to surpass that record this year and are directing our energies to that end. The Society is amply equipped to take care of a much larger membership than

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it has at present, and the additional income that would result therefrom would enable it to increase its usefulness accordingly. The most obvious advantages of membership to point out to prospective members are, of course, the free use of the facilities of our excellent library, admission to the lectures and flower shows of the Society, including admission to "The Philadelphia Flower Show", without charge, and a paid subscription to "Horticulture" for the year. Certainly \$3.00 for annual dues is a very nominal amount to pay for these privileges. However, we particularly desire to increase the number of life members this year. We believe that there are many persons residing in the vicinity of Philadelphia, with a life-long interest in horticulture, to whom this \$50.00 life membership would be an attractive investment if they were acquainted with the activities of The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society and if the benefits of this class of membership were brought to their attention properly.

On behalf of the Executive Council,

JAMES BOYD, President.

A regular meeting of the EXECUTIVE COUNCIL of THE PENNSYLVANIA HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY was held in the rooms of the Society, 1600 Arch Street, on the above date.

Those present were Mr. James Boyd, Mrs. William T. Elliott, Mrs. Horatio Gates Lloyd, Mrs. Edward M. Cheston, Mrs. Caspar W. Hacker, Mr. William J. Serrill, Mr. John Williams, Mr. Fitz Eugene Dixon, Mr. S. S. Pennock, Mr. W. Hinckle Smith, and Mr. John C. Wister.

The President was in the Chair.

The Minutes of the last meeting were approved as published and distributed.

Twenty persons, whose names were read, having been proposed for membership, were duly elected members of the Society. The list included 1 life member and 19 annual members. This makes a total membership of 1365.

Mrs. Elliott, as Chairman, reported progress for the Lecture Committee.

Mr. Williams, as Chairman, reported for the Exhibition Committee that he and Mr. Sears had visited the Wister Garden, Germantown, the Haines Garden, Wyck, and the Bartram Garden, in connection with the proposed exhibit of an old-fashioned garden to celebrate the Centennary of The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society at the Philadelphia Flower Show. Mr. Sears did not think that an old garden could be reproduced very satisfactorily and suggested that a collection of large reproductions of photographs of old gardens might be shown. The Council was not in favor of such an exhibit. After some discussion, Mr. Williams agreed to get in touch with Mr. Atkins of Bobbink & Atkins, or Mr. Van den Hengel of Hengel Brothers to see if either of them would be able to make a suitable garden.

The President asked for the Library Committee report, and the Chairman stated that there was none.

Mrs. Hacker, as Chairman, reported for the Garden Committee that there would not be any garden visiting days this year but that all the members were invited to visit Mrs. Horatio G. Lloyd's garden on May 26th, when tea would be served at the Society's expense. She said the Committee hoped to get the consent of Mrs. Clarence A. Warden to have her garden open the same day, but Mrs. Warden was away at present and therefore had not been asked as yet. The Committee will request several ladies to act as hostesses and twelve members of the Junior Gardeners have offered to help with the refreshments.

A letter was read from Mrs. Bayard Henry thanking the Council for their gift of \$500 to Bartram's Garden.

In the absence of Mr. McFadden, Chairman of the Special Committee, Mr. Williams read a paper which Mr. McFadden had sent which gave in detail his plan for the collection and exhibition of photographs of selected gardens. It was agreed that the project was an excellent one, but that it would have to be worked out in some way by which the Society would be relieved of the financial responsibility of the cost of the photographs. There was considerable discussion and Mrs. Lloyd offered the practical suggestion that the owners whose gardens were chosen for the purpose would in all probability be so honored at their selection that they would be willing to donate a photograph to us for our use, to be made by the photographer authorized by the Society.

On motion of Mr. Wister, duly seconded, it was, RESOLVED, That we make a counter-proposition to Mr. McFadden by which we accept his plan but with the provision that the cost is to be borne by the individuals whose gardens are photographed and not by the Society, and with the understanding that the Society is to select the photographers.

The general consensus of opinion seemed to be that Mrs. Hewitt's work far surpassed that of any other photographer in this field. Her price is \$6.00 for the plate and one print.

The following motions, duly made and seconded, were passed:

RESOLVED, That Mr. William J. Serrill be appointed acting Chairman of the Executive Committee during the absence of the Chairman.

RESOLVED, That the resolution authorizing the Executive Secretary, Mr. David Rust, to sign checks in the absence of the Treasurer be recinded.

RESOLVED, That the resolution authorizing Mr. S. S. Pennock, Treasurer, and Mr. David Rust, Executive Secretary, to have joint access to the Safe Deposit Box be recinded.

RESOLVED, That Mr. S. S. Pennock, Treasurer, and Mr. John C. Wister, Secretary, be authorized to have joint access to the Safe Deposit Box.

RESOLVED, That Miss Fannie A. Root, Executive Secretary, be authorized to sign checks in the absence of the Treasurer.

RESOLVED, That Mr. C. F. C. Stout, Vice-President, be authorized to counter-sign checks in the absence of the President.

RESOLVED, That the next meeting of the Executive Council be on March 28th instead of the 21st; this date occurring during the New York and Philadelphia Flower Shows.

The President reported that the Secretary had had very interesting talks with the Secretaries of the New York and Massachusetts Horticultural Societies on his recent visit to New York and Boston, and asked the Secretary to make a report in this connection.

The Secretary reported that in the March First issue of Horticulture there would be an announcement that The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society extended an invitation to the members of the New York and Massachusetts Societies to make our rooms their headquarters during visits to Philadelphia. He said further that he hoped in the future the plan would be worked out whereby the members of our Society could be given the privilege of attending the New York and Boston Shows in exchange for the same privilege being extended to the members of the New York and Massachusetts Societies by us.

Mrs. Hacker told of the trip which had been planned to the Arnold Arboretum in which members of The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society are asked to participate. They will leave here June 6th, visit the Arboretum on the 7th & 8th, returning to Philadelphia the evening of the 8th. It was agreed that a notice should be sent the members to that effect.

Mrs. Elliott told of the forming of the committee on conservation which is to have a state-wide influence and urged that the Society become affiliated with the movement.

On motion of Mrs. Elliott, duly seconded, it was, RESOLVED, That The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society become affiliated and cooperate with the Council for the Preservation of Natural Beauty in Pennsylvania.

On motion of Mr. Williams, duly seconded, it was, RESOLVED, That the thanks of the Council be extended to Mrs. James M. Rhoades for her kindness in presenting to The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society the portrait of her husband, James M. Rhoades, President 1898-1901.

There being no further business, on motion, the meeting adjourned.

James Boyd

President.

John C. W. W. W.

Secretary.

March 28, 1928.

A regular meeting of the Executive Council of THE PENNSYLVANIA HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY was held in the rooms of the Society, 1600 Arch Street, on the above date.

Those present were Mr. C. F. C. Stout, Mr. Fairman R. Furness, Mr. S. S. Pennock, Mr. Louis Burk, Mr. W. Atlee Burpee, Jr., Mr. Henry F. Michell, Mr. John Williams, Mr. W. Hinckle Smith, Mr. John P. Habermehl, and Mr. John C. Wister.

Mr. C. F. C. Stout, Vice-President, presided.

The Minutes of the last meeting were approved as published and distributed.

One hundred and fifty-six persons were duly elected members of the Society. The list included 3 Life members and 153 Annual members. This makes a total membership of 1491.

The Secretary reported 163 visitors to the offices, 56 of which were to the Library; also that there had been 19 meetings during the past month.

The Secretary spoke of the death of Dr. Robert Huey, and on motion, duly made and seconded, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

WHEREAS, The Executive Council of The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society records with deep regret the death of Dr. Robert Huey at Philadelphia, Pa., on March 12, 1928, and,

WHEREAS, Dr. Huey had been a member of this Society since 1896, an honorary member since 1919, and had served as a member of the Executive Council and as Vice-President in 1917 and 1918, and,

WHEREAS, Dr. Huey was one of the leading amateur rosarians of the past thirty or forty years and had done much to spread the love of roses and other flowers, therefore, it is,

RESOLVED, That this Society sincerely deploras his loss and the Executive Council directs that this resolution be spread upon the Minutes and a copy sent to Dr. Huey's family.

Discussion followed regarding the recent Flower Festival and Mr. Pennock presented the following report:

Attendance at Box Office	<u>1927</u>	<u>1928</u>
Adults	27,856	27,806
Children	2,083	1,965
Trade tickets	15,473	22,420
F.S.R. (Free tickets distributed to newspapers and others)	654	2,250
School Tickets	701	1,789
Estimated attendance on account of passes	<u>4,000</u>	<u>6,000</u>
	50,767	62,230

The total attendance this year is 11,463 in excess of last, and the revenue from the sale of tickets, trade space, program concessions is estimated to be about \$9,000 or \$10,000 in excess of the revenue of last year, and expenses will be correspondingly higher. Until all bills are rendered and all returns are made for trade tickets and trade space concessions, we can only approximate figures.

In connection with the Flower Festival, the exhibits of flowers sent by Air Mail were discussed and the following resolutions adopted:

WHEREAS, The students of the Botany Department of the Watsonville High School, under the direction of Miss Ida Hayward, very kindly gathered a collection of California Wild Flowers to be used as an exhibit at the Philadelphia Flower Festival, commemorating the hundredth anniversary of The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society, and,

WHEREAS, Mr. H. H. Hyde correctly listed, packed and sent these specimens by Air Mail to the Flower Festival, and,

WHEREAS, The collection was one of the most unusual and interesting exhibits of the Show and caused a great deal of favorable comment in the newspapers and among the visitors, therefore, it is,

RESOLVED, That this Society expresses its sincere appreciation of the gift and extends its thanks to Miss Hayward, her pupils and Mr. Hyde, and directs that this resolution be spread upon the Minutes and a copy sent to Miss Hayward and Mr. Hyde.

WHEREAS, Mr. Alfred D. Robinson of The Rosecroft Begonia Gardens, Point Loma, California, very kindly consented to send a collection of Begonias to be exhibited at the Philadelphia Flower Festival, commemorating the hundredth anniversary of The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society, and,

WHEREAS, Mr. Robinson correctly listed, carefully packed and sent these specimens by Air Mail to the Flower Festival, and,

WHEREAS, The collection was one of the most unusual and interesting exhibits of the Show, and attracted a great deal of attention from the visitors and much favorable comment from the newspapers in Philadelphia and vicinity, therefore, it is,

RESOLVED, That this Society expresses its appreciation and extends its thanks to Mr. Robinson, and directs that this resolution be spread upon the Minutes and a copy sent to Mr. Robinson.

The Secretary reported a letter from Mrs. Clarence A. Warden inviting the members of the Society to visit her garden on May 26th, the same day that Mrs. Lloyd will have her garden open.

Letters addressed to Mr. Stout and Mr. Wister by Secretary Jardine thanking them for their courtesy at the time of his and Mrs. Jardine's visit to Philadelphia were brought to the attention of the Council.

On motion of Mr. Smith, duly seconded, it was,

RESOLVED, That Mr. Stout be reimbursed for the cost of the luncheon which was given at the Bellevue-Stratford in honor of Secretary and Mrs. Jardine.

On motion of Mr. Pennock, duly seconded, it was,

RESOLVED, That a vote of thanks be extended to Mr. John C. Wister for his most interesting and instructive lecture.

On motion of Mr. Williams, duly seconded, it was,

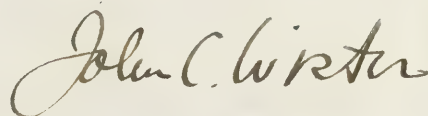
RESOLVED, That this Society should extend its sincere thanks to Mr. Thomas W. Sears for his valuable cooperation in connection with the exhibit of The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society at the Philadelphia Flower Festival, and that this resolution be spread upon the Minutes and a copy be sent to Mr. Sears.

Mr. Wister brought up the subject of the poor acoustics of the Auditorium. He said that when he presented his lecture he spoke as loud as he could and a great many people complained that they could not hear him. He also had difficulty in hearing Mr. Mattoon's lecture and Mr. Mattoon said that he was making a special effort to make himself heard. It was decided that this office should take the matter up with the management of the building in an effort to have it corrected before the next lecture season.

There being no further business, on motion, the meeting adjourned.



C. FREDERICK C. STOUT
Vice-President.



JOHN C. WISTER
Secretary.

A regular meeting of the Executive Council of THE PENNSYLVANIA HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY was held in the rooms of the Society, 1600 Arch Street, on the above date.

Those present were Mr. James Boyd, Mrs. William T. Elliott, Mrs. Edward M. Cheston, Mrs. Caspar W. Hacker, Mr. Henry F. Michell, Mr. William J. Serrill, Mr. W. Hinckle Smith and Mr. John C. Wister.

The President was in the Chair.

The Minutes of the last meeting were approved as published and distributed.

Nineteen persons whose names were read, having been proposed for membership, were duly elected members of the Society. This makes a total membership of fifteen hundred and twenty-nine. The Secretary reported that there have been eight meetings of various Committees and organizations held in the Council Room since the previous meeting of the Executive Council, March 28th, and that thirty-three persons have visited the rooms of the Society (of which number sixteen were visitors to the library) in the same period. Also, he stated that there had been eighteen inquiries over the telephone about the work in which the Society is engaged.

The Secretary reported that Mrs. Lloyd, Messrs. Dixon, Pennock, McFadden, Burpee, Williams, and Stout had notified him of their inability to attend the meeting.

In connection with the report of the number of meetings held in the Council Room of the Society, Mrs. Elliott said that she would like to tell the Executive Council how very much the members of the various organizations holding such meetings appreciate Mr. Boyd's courtesy in welcoming them, and his thoughtfulness in arranging for their comfort and the efficient transaction of their business. Mrs. Cheston stated that she also belonged to groups which hold their meetings in the Council Room, and that she would like to add her endorsement to Mrs. Elliott's remarks. On motion of Mrs. Elliott, duly seconded, it was voted that a record of Mrs. Elliott's and Mrs. Cheston's remarks of appreciation of Mr. Boyd's kind offices should be recorded in the Minutes.

Mrs. Elliott spoke of the exhibition of Sculpture-in-the-Open-Air that the Art Alliance plans to conduct in May. She said that since the exhibition will feature garden sculpture, she felt that it was very fitting that the Society should lend its cooperation to the Art Alliance. On motion of Mr. Michell, duly seconded, it was,

RESOLVED, That The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society will offer its Gold Medal to the Art Alliance of Philadelphia, to be awarded at the Fifth Spring Exhibition of Sculpture-in-the-Open-Air, in Rittenhouse Square, Philadelphia, May, 1928, for the best small piece of sculpture suitable for gardens, conservatories, or for use with flowers, indoors.

The Secretary spoke of the death of Mr. Thomas B. Meehan, and on motion of Mr. Wister, duly seconded, the following resolution was adopted:

WHEREAS, The Executive Council of The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society records with sincere regret the death of Mr. Thomas B. Meehan, on April 1, 1928, and,

WHEREAS, Mr. Meehan had been a member of this Society since 1892, and as one of the leading Pennsylvania nurserymen had done much to increase the love of horticulture in this country, it is,

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RESOLVED, That this Society deeply deplores his loss and the Executive Council desires that this resolution be spread upon the Minutes and a copy be sent to Mr. Meehan's family.

The Secretary reported, that Mrs. Lloyd, owing to the death of her father, had been obliged to recall the invitation to visit her garden on May 26th, and that Mr. McFadden had kindly permitted the Society to invite its members to visit his garden on the afternoon of May 12th instead. Mr. Smith said that since his estate adjoins that of Mr. McFadden, he would be very glad to open his garden on the same day. The Council was pleased to accept his kind offer.

On motion of Mrs. Elliott, duly seconded, the following resolution was adopted:

WHEREAS, The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society has learned with great interest of the work of the Regional Planning Federation, it is,

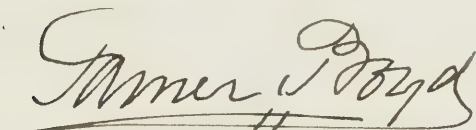
RESOLVED, That the Council of this Society pledges its support to this excellent movement and will use its best efforts to interest its members individually and collectively in furthering the work of the Regional Planning Federation, since it is only through such a Regional Planning that the native trees, shrubs and wild flowers around Philadelphia will be preserved.

The Secretary read a letter from the Art Alliance asking for a representative of this Society to their Committee on Flowers for Flowerless Philadelphia. It was decided to comply with this request, and the President was authorized to appoint such a representative.

A short discussion concerning the revision of membership dues followed. On motion of Mr. Smith, duly seconded, it was voted that the President appoint a Committee of three to consider a revision of the Society's membership dues and report their findings to the Executive Council at their next meeting, if possible.

Mrs. Hacker reported that the preliminary plans for the trip to the Arnold Arboretum on June 7th & 8th have been completed. The En Route Service, Inc., 1438 Land Title Building, Philadelphia, have charge of the arrangements, and persons wishing to find out details concerning the trip should communicate with them direct.

There being no further business, on motion, the meeting adjourned.



President.



Secretary.

A regular meeting of the Executive Council of THE PENNSYLVANIA HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY was held in the rooms of the Society, 1600 Arch Street on the above date.

Those present were Mr. James Boyd, Mrs. Horatio Gates Lloyd, Mrs. Caspar W. Hacker, Mr. C. F. C. Stout, Mr. W. Hinckle Smith, Mr. Henry F. Michell, Mr. S. S. Pennock, Mr. John Williams, Mr. W. Atlee Burpee, Jr., Mr. Fairman Rogers Furness and Mr. John C. Wister.

The following members had notified the Secretary of their inability to attend the meeting: Mrs. William T. Elliott, Mrs. Edward M. Cheston, and Messrs. J. Franklin McFadden, William J. Serrill, Fitz Eugene Dixon and Louis Burk.

The President was in the Chair.

The Minutes of the last meeting were approved as published and distributed.

Twenty-three persons whose names were read, having been proposed for membership, were duly elected members of the Society.

The Secretary reported that the total membership, as of this date, is fifteen hundred and fifty-three; and that since the last meeting of the Executive Council on April 18th, the facilities of the Society have been used as follows: Eleven meetings have been held in the Council Room, sixty-eight persons have visited the rooms of the Society (eighteen of whom were visitors to the library), and twenty-nine telephone inquiries have been received and answered. He added that since January 1st, there have been fifty meetings held in the Council Room, two hundred and sixteen visitors to the rooms (one hundred and four of whom were to the library) and eighty-seven telephone calls.

The President stated that the Gold Medal of the Society, which had been offered as an award at the Fifth Spring Exhibition of Sculpture-in-the-Open Air, sponsored by the Philadelphia Art Alliance and other cooperating organizations, had been presented to Miss Mary E. Moore, of Cambridge, Massachusetts, for her bronze, entitled "Shell Bird Bath."

In connection with the request by the Art Alliance that this Society appoint a member to serve on the Committee for "Flowers for Flowerless Philadelphia," the President announced that Mrs. Charles F. Derby will represent the Society on that Committee.

The President next brought up the subject of the Garden Visits made to the estates of Mr. and Mrs. J. Franklin McFadden and Mr. W. Hinckle Smith, on Saturday afternoon, May 12th. He stated that two hundred and thirty-eight members had accepted the invitation, and had notified the Secretary that they were bringing with them four hundred and twenty-eight guests. The expenses in connection with the occasion were \$531.71, of which amount \$412.50 represented caterer's charge for tea (75¢ per person) and the remainder was for invitations, return postcards, arrows, postage, etc. Mrs. Hacker, as Chairman of the Garden Committee, presented a brief report of the affair, and said that between six and seven hundred persons had visited the gardens, many of whom had expressed to her their enjoyment of the afternoon.

Upon motion of Mr. Burpee, seconded by Mr. Williams, the following resolution was adopted unanimously:

RESOLVED, That the Executive Council of The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society extends its thanks to Mr. and Mrs. J. Franklin McFadden and to Mr. W. Hinckle Smith for their kindness in opening their gardens to the members of the Society, on Saturday afternoon, May 12th; and assures them

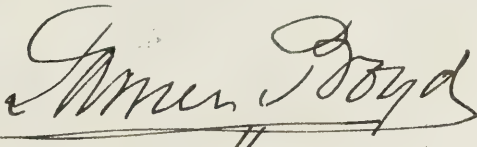
that their courtesy was very much appreciated by the many persons who availed themselves of the privilege.

The President stated that the next business before the Council was the question of a revision of dues. He said that he had appointed a Special Committee composed of Mr. J. Franklin McFadden, as Chairman, and Mr. William J. Serrill and Mr. John C. Wister, to make a report on the subject. Mr. McFadden and Mr. Serrill were not present at the meeting, but they had submitted a report of their joint views. The report was read, and it was noted that the two points emphasized particularly were, first, that the dues should be increased, and, second, that there should be a drive inaugurated this summer to secure more members. The President then asked Mr. Wister, as the third member of the Committee, for his conclusions on the subject. Mr. Wister outlined briefly his plan, which is that there should be a sliding scale of dues, with increased privileges as the scale ascends. However, he recommended retaining a \$3.00 class of membership for those persons who cannot afford a more expensive class. The President exhibited a chart which showed how the membership had decreased and increased ~~and decreased~~ during the last fifty-seven years. A general discussion of the subject followed, and upon motion of Mr. Smith, duly seconded, it was voted to postpone action until next fall. The Committee was requested to make a more thorough study of the matter, and to present a report of their findings at the meeting of the Council in September. Several suggestions were made as to increasing the membership, and the importance of securing life members was stressed.

The President reported that the Philadelphia Flower Show, Inc., had repaid the Society in full for that portion of the guarantee fund which had been advanced to them in connection with the Flower Festival held in March.

The Secretary informed the President that he had received a letter from Mr. McFadden, with the request that the contents be given consideration by the Council. The Secretary was instructed to have the letter read. In this communication, Mr. McFadden called attention to the fact that there are several cases in which two members of the same family belong to the Society, with the result that two numbers of "Horticulture" are, in many instances, sent to the same address. He stated that this duplication has led, in at least one case, to adverse criticism of the business methods of the Society, and suggested that measures be taken to correct the situation. Upon motion of Mr. Smith, duly seconded, it was voted that the Secretary be requested to write to persons affected by the duplication, and ascertain their wishes in the matter.

There being no further business, on motion, the meeting adjourned.


President.


Secretary.

A regular meeting of the Executive Council of THE PENNSYLVANIA HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY was held in the rooms of the Society, 1600 Arch Street, on the above date.

Those present were Mr. James Boyd, Mrs. Edward M. Cheston, Mrs. William T. Elliott, Mr. W. Atlee Burpee, Jr., Mr. S. S. Pennock, Mr. C. F. C. Stout, and Mr. John C. Wister.

The President was in the Chair.

The following members had notified the Secretary of their inability to attend the meeting: Mrs. Horatio Gates Lloyd, Mr. John P. Habermehl, Mr. J. Franklin McFadden, Mr. William J. Serrill, and Mr. John Williams.

The Minutes of the last meeting were approved as published and distributed.

81 persons, having been proposed for membership, were duly elected; 3 as Life Members and 78 as Annual Members. The Secretary stated that the membership as of this date is 1626, as compared with a membership of 1342 a year ago. He also announced that there have been 8 meetings held in the Society's rooms during the summer, 89 visitors to the library, 183 general visitors, and 132 telephone calls for information.

In accordance with By-Law 14, a Nominating Committee of 5 members was elected to nominate and post a list of candidates for the Executive Council. The following persons made up the Committee: Mrs. Frank H. Moss, Mr. Richard L. Barrows, Mr. Alfred M. Campbell, Mr. Morris Lewis Stovell, and Mr. Benjamin Bullock, Chairman.

The President announced that the Gold Medal of the Society offered for the most beautiful exhibit in the Third National Exhibition of the American Orchid Society, held in New York on May 10th, had been awarded to Mr. Thomas Roland, of Nahant, Mass.

A letter from Miss Mary Moore was read, thanking the Society for the Gold Medal awarded to her bronze, "Shell Bird Bath," exhibited in May in Rittenhouse Square, at the "Sculpture-in-the-Open-Air" exhibition conducted by the Art Alliance. A letter from the Executive Secretary of the Art Alliance was also read, stating that this bronze had been purchased to decorate a garden along the Main Line.

The President said that a letter had been received from Miss Winifred Walker, flower artist to the Royal Horticultural Society, and instructed the Secretary to have it read. Miss Walker thanked the Society for the Gold Medal awarded to the group of water colors of flowers which she exhibited at the Spring Flower Show, on May 22nd.

The President spoke of the work Mrs. Charles F. Derby has done this past summer as representative of the Society on the Committee on "Flowers for Flowerless Philadelphia." He stated that Mrs. Derby served at the flower booth at Broad Street Station on Thursday mornings during August, and that an average of five buckets of flowers was received on each of those days and distributed to hospitals, missions, settlement houses, etc. On motion of

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Mr. Pennock, duly seconded, the following Resolution was adopted unanimously:

RESOLVED, That The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society extends its sincere thanks to Mrs. Charles F. Derby for the work she has done this past summer in representing the Society on the Committee, sponsored by the Art Alliance, on "Flowers for Flowerless Philadelphia."

The Secretary stated that the Committee on the Revision of Membership Dues had no report to submit at this meeting.

The President announced that extensive alterations were being made to the auditorium in an effort to improve the acoustics.

There being no further business, the meeting, on motion, adjourned.

James Boyd
President.

John Christen
Secretary.

October 17, 1928.

A regular meeting of the Executive Council of THE PENNSYLVANIA HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY was held in the rooms of the Society, 1600 Arch Street, on the above date.

Those present were: Mr. James Boyd, Mr. Louis Burk, Mr. W. Atlee Burpee, Jr., Mrs. William T. Elliott, Mr. John P. Habermehl, Mrs. Horatio Gates Lloyd, Mr. Henry F. Michell, Mr. S. S. Pennock, Mr. William J. Serrill, Mr. W. Hinckle Smith, Mr. C. F. C. Stout, and Mr. John C. Wister.

The President was in the Chair.

The following members had notified the Secretary of their inability to attend the meeting: Mrs. Edward M. Cheston, Mrs. Caspar W. Hacker and Mr. F. E. Dixon.

The minutes of the last meeting were approved as published and distributed.

The Secretary presented the names of 44 persons, who were proposed for membership. These were duly elected - one to Life Membership and the others as Annual Members.

Mrs. Lloyd proposed that Mrs. James M. Rhodes should be made an Honorary Member of the Society. Mrs. Lloyd referred to all that Mrs. Rhodes had done to increase interest in Horticulture on the Main Line and, on motion, duly seconded, Mrs. Rhodes was elected an Honorary Member. Mrs. Rhodes is the widow of a former President of the Society.

The Secretary stated that the total membership of the Society as of the above date was 1664. He reported that there have been 11 meetings in the Council Room during the past month, 33 visitors to the library, 71 general visitors, and 45 telephone calls for information.

Mr. W. Atlee Burpee, Jr., Acting Chairman of the Exhibition Committee, made a brief report of the Dahlia Exhibition, held October 2nd and 3rd. The Exhibition was well attended by members, but there were only 637 paid admissions.

The President requested Mrs. Lloyd to serve as a member of the Exhibition Committee during the illness of Mr. John Williams. Mrs. Lloyd was present and assented. It was voted to send a plant to Mr. Williams, and a message of congratulation upon his convalescence from his recent illness.

There was no report by the Committee on the Revision of Membership Dues. The Chairman, Mr. J. Franklin McFadden, was not at the meeting, and the other members of this Committee stated that no meeting of their Committee had been called this Fall.

The President announced that the Nominating Committee had prepared a ballot for the annual election to be held on November 20th.

The following Resolution, having been recommended by the Executive Committee, was adopted unanimously, namely:

"RESOLVED, That the Resolution of the Executive Council, under date of October 20, 1919, in regard to the Safe Deposit Box at the Girard Trust Company, shall be rescinded; and that the Treasurer or Secretary, when accompanied by another officer of the Society, shall at all times have access to the Safe Deposit Box."

October 17, 1928.

The President said that he would like to speak about the history of the Society, which he had undertaken to compile. He gave a brief outline of his progress thus far, and said that in order to expedite the completion of the history, he would like to have authority to engage clerical assistance. It was voted that he should employ the necessary assistance, and also that he should appoint a Committee of five to confer with him on the various phases of the work. The President suggested that the funds for financing the project might be taken from the Accumulated Income, and replaced later on.

The Secretary stated that we had a request from Mr. Albert C. Burrage, President of the Massachusetts Horticultural Society, that this Society should participate in the Centennial Exhibition that is to be held in March 1929, to celebrate the Centennial Anniversary of the Massachusetts Society. The President informed the members that the Exhibition Committee had already voted to offer a Special Gold Medal for award at their Centennial Exhibition, and asked for suggestions as to some other way in which The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society could join in the celebration. It was decided that the Chair should name a Committee to consider the matter and to report to the Council at the next meeting.

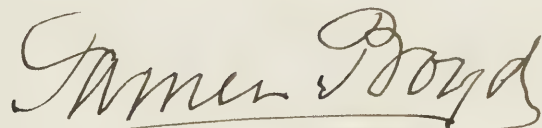
The President named the following persons to serve on a Committee to consider Mr. David Rust's compensation for next year, namely: Mrs. Edward M. Cheston, Mrs. Caspar W. Hacker, Mr. S. S. Pennock, Mr. William J. Serrill and Mr. John C. Wister - the Committee to appoint its own Chairman.

In accordance with a recommendation of the Philadelphia Flower Show, Incorporated, it was voted that the Exhibits by Women at the Philadelphia Flower Show next March should be handled entirely by The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society.

The Secretary stated that a picture of Iris had been received from Miss Winifred Walker (English flower artist), accompanied by a letter in which she stated that she wished to offer the watercolor to the Society at the reduced price of \$150.00. After consideration, upon motion of Mr. Burpee, duly seconded, the following Resolution was adopted:

"RESOLVED, That The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society expresses its thanks to Miss Walker for her offer, but regrets that its budget will not permit an expenditure of this kind."

There being no further business, the meeting, on motion, adjourned.



President.



Secretary.

The ANNUAL MEETING of THE PENNSYLVANIA HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY was called on the above date in the Society's rooms, but on account of lack of a quorum, the meeting was adjourned.

Presiding Officer.

November 20, 1928.

A regular meeting of the Executive Council of THE PENNSYLVANIA HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY was held in the rooms of the Society, 1600 Arch Street, on the above date.

Those present were: Mr. James Boyd, Mr. Louis Burk, Mr. W. Atlee Burpee, Jr., Mrs. Edward M. Cheston, Mr. Fitz Eugene Dixon, Mrs. William T. Elliott, Mr. Fairman Rogers Furness, Mr. J. Franklin McFadden, Mr. Henry F. Michell, Mr. S. S. Pennock and Mr. William J. Serrill.

The President was in the Chair.

In the absence of the Secretary, Miss Root acted as secretary of the meeting.

The following members had notified the Secretary of their inability to attend the meeting: Mr. John P. Habermehl, Mrs. Caspar W. Hacker, Mrs. H. G. Lloyd, Mr. C. F. C. Stout, and Mr. John C. Wister.

The Minutes of the last meeting were approved as published and distributed.

The Secretary pro tem. presented the names of 46 persons who were proposed for Annual Membership. They were duly elected. Two Life Members were also elected: Mrs. A. Atwater Kent and Mr. Samuel T. Bodine, the latter of whom had been an Annual Member for 25 years.

The Secretary pro tem. stated that the total membership of the Society as of the above date was 1678. She reported that there had been 17 meetings held in the Council Room during the past month, 33 visitors to the Library, 43 general visitors, and 31 telephone calls for information.

In accordance with By-Law No. 7, Section 4, there being no quorum present at the Annual Meeting held in the Council Room at 1:30 P. M. on the above date, the Judge of Election, Mr. Benjamin Bullock, reported to the Executive Council that 374 ballots had been cast at the Annual Election. Of these, 25 were discarded because name of member voting was not placed on outside envelope. 349 ballots were counted, and the following persons were elected members of the Executive Council:

To serve for the years 1929, '30, and '31:

Mr. Louis Burk
Mrs. Edward M. Cheston
Mr. John P. Habermehl

Mrs. Caspar W. Hacker
Mr. Henry F. Michell
Mrs. Thomas Newhall

To serve for the years 1929 and '30, to fill an unexpired term:
Mr. Fairman Rogers Furness.

Mrs. Thomas Newhall was the only new member elected to the Council.

A letter from Mr. Williams was read, in which he expressed his thanks to the Council for the good wishes and plant sent to him during his convalescence from his recent illness.

A letter from Mr. McFadden was read, stating that on account of his connection with the Red Cross activities, he would not be able to call a meeting of the Special Committee on the Revision of Dues this month and suggesting that someone else be appointed Chairman of this Committee. It was voted that Mr. McFadden be asked to retain the Chairmanship, postponing a meeting of his Committee until he had the necessary time to devote to it.

The Special Committee on Mr. Rust's Compensation for 1929, submitted the following report, which was read by Mr. Pennock:

"At a regular meeting of the Executive Council on Wednesday, October 17th, 1928, a resolution was passed requesting the President to appoint a Committee of five to consider compensation to be paid Mr. David Rust during the year 1929.

"The President appointed the Committee as follows:
Mrs. Edward M. Cheston, Mr. S. S. Pennock, Mr. William J. Serrill, Mr. John C. Wister, and Mr. C. F. C. Stout. This Committee met in the rooms of the Society on Monday, November 5th, and on Tuesday, November 20th, and after considerable discussion decided to suggest and recommend to the Council that there should be established a position of Consulting Gardener.

"They recommend that the expense and financial management of this department shall be under the direction of the Executive Committee, and that the incumbent of the office shall be under the direction of the Secretary.

"This Committee further recommends that Mr. David Rust shall be employed as Consulting Gardener and Superintendent of Exhibitions at the salary of two hundred and fifty dollars (\$250.00) monthly.

"These recommendations are made with the understanding that Mr. Rust must demonstrate that he can in a short time establish a successful service of this kind, or otherwise the Society cannot continue the position or the salary.

"It is further understood that in fulfilling the duties assigned to him, Mr. Rust shall endeavor to secure additional members for the Society at every opportunity.

"In addition, your Committee recommends that the service and salary above mentioned shall commence the first day of January, 1929."

A letter from Mr. Rust to the President was also read, in which he set forth the efforts he had made this past year to secure a position. Upon motion of Mrs. Elliott, duly seconded, it was,

RESOLVED, That the recommendations submitted by the Special Committee be accepted.

The President announced that he had appointed a Special Committee, composed of Mr. C. F. C. Stout, Mr. Louis Burk and Mr. Fitz Eugene Dixon, to consider participation of this Society with the Massachusetts Horticultural Society in celebrating its Centennial Anniversary. A meeting of this Committee is called for November 21, 1928.

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In connection with the Society, the President stated that he would like to have authority to increase the History Committee from 5 to 7 members, and it was voted that he should be authorized to do this. Upon motion of Mr. Serrill, duly seconded, the following Resolution in regard to financing the history was adopted:

WHEREAS, The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society having completed a hundred years of its existence, the Executive Council deems it advisable to publish a full history which shall be compiled from the Minutes of the Society and from magazines and periodicals published during that century, and,

WHEREAS, The Minutes of this Society contain much information of great value to horticulturists in general, and particularly to those interested in pomology, and also interesting statistics relating to the building of the three Horticultural Halls, the Schaffer Trust, and other matters, and,

WHEREAS, The Minutes of this Society also memorialize the officers and members who have given years to devotion to its interests, and,

WHEREAS, The Centennial of this Society was celebrated by an interesting banquet at which addresses of importance were made and no reports of same have ever been published, and,

WHEREAS, The President of the Society has offered to compile a chronological history from the Minutes and data mentioned above, therefore, it is,

RESOLVED, That the Treasurer shall furnish the necessary funds for the publication of the book, drawing same from the Unexpended Income Account from time to time as required, with the understanding that the money expended for this purpose shall not exceed \$5,000.00 and shall be returned to the Unexpended Income Fund by crediting the same with the proceeds of all sales of books and by annual appropriations that shall be made by the Executive Council and covered by the Budget.

Mrs. Elliott offered the following suggestions for consideration by the Council:

1. That the membership of the Executive Council be increased from 18 to 24.
2. That some change be made in the method of holding Annual Election.
3. That the By-Laws be revised.

Upon motion of Mr. Serrill, duly seconded, it was voted that the President should be authorized to appoint a Special Committee of five to consider a revision of the By-Laws and submit a report to the Council. It was decided that the first two suggestions of Mrs. Elliott's would properly come up for consideration by this Special Committee, so no action was taken upon them.

Upon motion of Mr. Serrill duly seconded, it was:
RESOLVED, That the President shall be authorized to appoint a Special Committee composed of Mr. W. Atlee Burpee, Jr., Mr. Fairman Rogers Furness and Mr. S. S. Pennock, to act as representatives of the Society in any matters arising in connection with the Philadelphia Flower Show, and to report such matters to the Council.

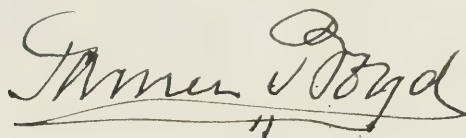
The President stated that he would like the Executive Committee to know that there was a balance of \$1825.00 in the Life Membership Account, and suggested that this sum or a portion thereof should be removed from the Savings Account and invested.

Mr. McFadden had not been able to be present at the meeting earlier in the afternoon when his letter in connection with a Revision of Membership Dues had been read, on account of having to preside at the Board Meeting of the Southeastern Pennsylvania Chapter of the American Red Cross, of which he is Chairman; but arrived at this point and a general discussion of the Revision of Membership Dues followed. Mr. McFadden outlined his recommendations in regard to the matter, from a report he had prepared last spring. Since several members of the Executive Council had left the meeting and Mr. Wister, one of the members of Mr. McFadden's Committee was not present, upon motion of Mr. McFadden, duly seconded, it was,

RESOLVED, That the question of a Revision of Membership Dues shall be brought up at the next Executive Council meeting and some action taken upon it at that time.

The matter of having photographs of members' gardens made was also brought up, but postponed for further consideration until the next meeting of the Executive Council.

There being no further business, the meeting on motion, adjourned.



President.



Secretary of Meeting.

December 19, 1928.

A regular meeting of the Executive Council of THE PENNSYLVANIA HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY was held in the rooms of the Society, 1600 Arch Street, on the above date.

Those present were: Mr. James Boyd, Mr. W. Atlee Burpee, Jr., Mrs. Edward Cheston, Mrs. William T. Elliott, Mr. Fairman Rogers Furness, Mr. John P. Habermehl, Mr. J. Franklin McFadden, Mr. Henry F. Michell, Mr. S. S. Pennock, Mr. William J. Serrill, Mr. C. F. C. Stout, and Mr. John C. Wister.

The President was in the chair.

The following members had notified the Secretary of their inability to attend the meeting: Mr. Fitz Eugene Dixon, Mrs. Caspar W. Hacker, Mrs. Horatio Gates Lloyd, Mr. W. Hinckle Smith, and Mr. John Williams.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were approved as published and distributed.

The Secretary presented the names of 30 persons who were proposed for membership, and they were duly elected. Among them were two Life Members: Mrs. W. K. duPont and Mrs. W. C. Spruance. He mentioned, also, that Mrs. C. A. Warden had transferred her membership from the Annual to the Life class.

The Secretary stated that the total membership of the Society as of the above date was 1708. He reported that there had been 15 meetings held in the Council Room during the past month, 27 visitors to the library, 23 general visitors and 30 telephone calls for information. He compared these figures with those of the previous month and explained that there had been fewer general visitors in December because no Flower Show had been held in the building in that month. Many visitors to the Shows stop in to see the rooms when they are in the building.

The next business before the meeting was the election of officers for 1929. Mrs. Elliott moved that the present officers be re-elected, and her motion was seconded and carried unanimously. The President, in accepting, addressed the Executive Council as follows:

"I wish every member of the Executive Council to understand how greatly I appreciate the compliment you have shown me by electing me President of this Society for ten consecutive years, and now you have seen fit to elect me for the eleventh time, which will give me the second longest service of any President the Society has had. William L. Schaffer served for 17 years, and Caleb Cope for 10 years. Robert Patterson and James W. Paul, Jr., served 7 years each. Horace Binney and George W. Childs served for 6 years each and the other presidents all had shorter terms.

"When I became President it was impossible to learn how many members the Society had, but since then, by careful estimation, we have concluded that there was a membership of about 150.

"The office of the Society was then located in the Finance Building. The single room which the Society rented was at the rear of the building,

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and was dark and dirty. The portraits and photographs belonging to the Society were stored in a corner, and covered with dust. The books were in cases, which were always kept locked. The books were stored on the shelves in any old way, on top of one another and behind one another, and without any system whatever.

"I found it extremely difficult to learn the financial condition of the Society as no Treasurer's report had been filed for many years, and the accounts were in much confusion. My own affairs took so much of my time that I could make but little headway in bringing order out of chaos. It was not until the beginning of 1923, when I induced the Council to rent a suite of offices at 1600 Walnut Street, including a small office for myself, that a decided change was brought about. Here, we had a real Library, to which we have since made valuable additions, and with our books properly catalogued and shelved, we have been able to render considerable service in that line. With a separate Council Room we were enabled to offer a meeting place to various horticultural clubs and associations, both amateur and commercial, which have become more or less affiliated with our own. We had a separate business office which enabled us to transact our business to much greater advantage than before.

"In 1927 we moved our offices to this present location. These rooms, as you know, were planned to fit our requirements and have been most satisfactory in every respect.

"We now have a very efficient organization. Our Treasurer's report is submitted regularly at the end of every year and is certified to by a public accountant. Since the installation of the Budget System our expenditures have been carefully planned in advance.

"Our rooms have become the center of all horticultural activities in this section of the country.

"In conclusion, I can only add that I have much more pride in being President of The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society ^{today} than I had when first elected. In 1918, I faced a very difficult proposition. In that year the Society secured only one new member. In this year, we have added four hundred to our membership and with delightful offices and efficient assistants, I have a much pleasanter task before me.

"I thank you again for the confidence you have shown in me and for the strong loyalty and support that you have always given me."

The President spoke of the death of Mr. Burnet Landreth, and Mr. Merrill introduced the following resolution, which was adopted:

"WHEREAS, The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society has lost its oldest member in the death (which occurred in Bristol, Pa., on December 2, 1928) of Burnet Landreth, who was elected in 1875 and therefore had been a member for 53 years, and,

"WHEREAS, Mr. Landreth has been a very valuable member of the Society, having served on the Exhibition Committee for many years following his election, and having been especially active in the Society's affairs during the Centennial Exhibition in Philadelphia in 1876, and,

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"WHEREAS, Mr. Landreth at the time of his death was president of the Landreth Seed House, the oldest seed establishment in this country, founded in Philadelphia in 1784 by David Landreth, the grandfather of Burnet Landreth and one of the first vice-presidents of this Society, and,

"WHEREAS, Mr. Landreth was well known as a writer on agricultural and horticultural subjects, devoting the latter part of his life to research problems in connection therewith and attaining not only a national reputation as an authority on horticultural matters but also gaining recognition in Europe and holding honorary membership in societies of Japan, China, Mexico, Brazil, Belgium, Chile, France, Hungary, British India and the Royal Horticultural Society of London, therefore, it is

"RESOLVED, That the Executive Council of The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society directs that these remarks shall be entered upon the Minutes of the Society as a tribute to Burnet Landreth's memory, and that a copy shall be sent to the family of the deceased in evidence of our respect and sincere sympathy."

The President informed the Council that he had talked to Mr. Rust about his new duties, and that Mr. Rust was well pleased with the arrangement but preferred to be called "horticulturist" rather than "gardener." The Secretary read an announcement in regard to Mr. Rust to be published in the next number of HORTICULTURE, and it was decided that Mr. Rust should be referred to therein as a "consultant in gardening and horticulture," and that that would be his official title. The Secretary was directed to use his best judgment in wording the rest of the article, which read as follows:

"The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society takes pleasure in announcing a new membership service. Mr. David Rust who has been associated with the Society for many years will act as Consultant in Gardening and Horticulture. He is prepared to visit members' gardens, to talk over their problems with them and to give advice about plants, soils, fertilizers, etc. Mr. Rust has had vast experience in horticultural matters and this experience is now being made available to the members of the Society without charge. Those desiring his services will be expected to pay his actual expenses for carfare to and from the office. For appointments and further information, apply to: John C. Wister, Secretary, The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society, 1600 Arch Street, Philadelphia, PA."

The Secretary read a letter from the "Philadelphia Conference on City Government," inviting this Society to co-operate in a Conference to be held at the Bellevue-Stratford Hotel on February 15 and 16, 1929. Each organization joining in the movement is asked to give \$5.00 for membership and to appoint five delegates to the Conference.

Upon motion of Mr. Serrill, duly seconded, it was:

"Resolved, That this Society shall accept the invitation to co-operate with the Philadelphia Conference on City Government."

The President stated that at the previous meeting, it was voted that the report of the Committee on Revision of Dues should be considered at this meeting, and called upon the Secretary to read the report, which was as follows:

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REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CHANGE IN DUES
The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society.

May 9, 1928

The Committee appointed by the President, to consider and report to the Executive Council on the advisability of increasing the dues, met at the rooms of the Society, on May 9th. Present - Messrs. William J. Serrill and J. Franklin McFadden, Chairman of the Committee. Mr. John C. Wister's absence in North Carolina prevented his attendance.

In order to present a report on May 16th the meeting was held this week, as neither the Chairman or Mr. Serrill was able to attend any meeting next Monday or Tuesday, when Mr. Wister expected to return. Mr. Wister will, with this report, present his views - either in concurrence or non-concurrence.

An analysis of the financial statement for 1927 showed that the Society expended in all, on a membership of 1344, January 1, 1928, a per capita average about seven times per capita dues. That is, the total expense of \$28,999. for the year divided by the January 1, 1928, membership averaged about \$21. per member with the dues per member \$3.00 per annum.

Analyzing separately the expenses of the direct contacts of the members with the Society, the result is:

Expense of 4 flower shows (omitting Phila. show)	\$6,237.	about	\$4.50	per member
Subscription to "Horticulture"	920.	"	.75	" "
Postage	334	"	.25	" "
Stationery & Printing & Office Supplies	1,137	"	.80	" "
Expense of Lectures	<u>624</u>	nearly	<u>.50</u>	" "
Total -	\$9,252			
Average Cost to Society per member of Direct Contacts -			\$6.80	

That is, the Society expends for each member in the above direct contacts over double the dues received. There seems to be no logical reason why any membership organization should not at least pay for what it receives directly as individuals. It is apparent how far off \$3.00 per annum is from paying even these direct contact expenses.

The Committee believes that if the Society in the future is to make itself felt more broadly and is to extend its benefits to those now or hereafter unable to bear the expense of dues, it can only do so through an increased revenue - not through an insufficient revenue for expenses.

We have a large endowment. It is our belief that if our membership dues paid our housekeeping expenses that we would then have a good sum available from this endowment for the promotion of horticulture, which is not now the case.

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We, therefore, strongly and urgently recommend an increase in the annual dues from \$3.00 to \$5.00 per annum, with 50% discount to those joining after June 30th each year.

We recommend, as a necessary corollary to this, an increase from \$50. to \$100. for life membership.

In our belief 90% of our membership would not know the dues were raised when new bills are sent.

If we have sufficient resignations on the score of expense then we can consider establishing an associate, or some other form of membership at \$3.00, that received the magazine, had no vote and paid admission to all shows - or some other form with reduced privileges.

So far as our current revenue is concerned, we can lose 40% of our present membership and retain 60% and have approximately the same revenue, so there is no possible net loss to be feared.

As a natural sequence, and as being germane to the purpose for which the Committee was appointed, we recommend an organized, systematic and thorough canvass of all citizens of Philadelphia and vicinity who own gardens large or small, or that we can learn are interested in flowers or horticulture, for the purpose of having them become members at the proposed increase in dues.

This work to be carried on by our paid staff with such additional paid assistants as may be necessary along the lines of a definite plan to be prepared by a special committee.

The money, if any be needed for expense of this work, is in our treasury. Accumulated income, unless specifically transferred to principal by action of a board of directors, is legally as available for current needs as current dues. This is a question of law, not opinion on our part.

Unfortunately, neither of the signers of this report can be present on May 16th, but the questions are so important that we suggest a special meeting in May for consideration and action on both recommendations.

J. Franklin McFadden (Signed)

Wm. J. Serrill (Signed)

The President then requested the Secretary to read copy of a letter Mr. Wister, as the minority member of the Committee, had written to Mr. McFadden. The letter was as follows:

"Philadelphia, December 3, 1928.

"Dear Mr. McFadden:

"I was sorry not to be at the last meeting of the Executive Council and have a chance to talk with you about your Committee report. No one appreciates better than I do your desire to place this Society on a sound financial basis, but we differ in our ideas as to the best method to accomplish this.

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(Mr. Wister's letter to Mr. McFadden continued)

"I feel most strongly that to advance the dues to \$5.00 will cut off the very people we need the most - who are the beginners, the amateurs, and the persons of moderate means. Our membership at present is predominantly on the Main Line, which means that it is composed of people of some means, most of whom could just as well afford \$5.00 as \$3.00; but if the Society is to be as important in the future as we all wish it to be, I think that we must get a larger membership in the other sections around Philadelphia where the people are not so well off, and this will include many people to whom \$5.00 would be an insurmountable difficulty - no matter how small it may seem to you and to others who have a real interest in horticulture and to whom \$5.00 is no more serious than \$3.00.

"I have suggested to Mr. Boyd the possibility of establishing memberships on a sliding scale, in the hope that we might get the increased funds that you desire without permanently cutting off those who can only spend a small sum of money. It is only a tentative suggestion, but the idea is to give enough privileges with the \$5.00 or \$10.00 memberships to make many of our members desire to pay this extra price and then I would like to have what might be termed an Associate Membership, without voting privileges and with but one ticket to Flower Shows and lectures, and keep this \$3.00 class to catch the beginner whom we need the most if we are to continue to grow.

"It is quite evident that through Mr. Boyd's efforts we have in our membership now most of the people who are seriously interested in horticulture, and to grow, we must catch those to whom flowers are a much more casual interest. I believe we can catch these people, but I also believe that it is easier to catch them at \$3.00, and after they are caught and are more interested, to get them to take out a higher-priced membership.

"I am perfectly aware that the New York Society has a larger membership and is able to get more members than we, but New York conditions are totally different from those here in Philadelphia, for they have much wealth to draw upon and also give more that is interesting and worth-while to their members, including a season ticket to the New York Flower Show, which is an established event. I don't think that what can be done in New York can be duplicated in any other place.

"The dues of the Massachusetts Society, as you probably know, are only \$2.00 annually, and they keep them at this price because they feel it is their duty to reach as many people as possible. They give their members all that we give them and a great deal more, for they have many Shows during the year, most of them on a larger scale than ours, and, as you know, they have the finest horticultural library in the country.

"I know how much we spend on the average member but, of course, we have our endowment to thank for the fact that we can do this. I presume that the Massachusetts Society with \$2.00 dues must spend close to \$10.00 a member on the things that they do. We have Mr. Schaffer to thank for our endowment, and the Massachusetts Society has, on the other hand, not one big fund like Mr. Schaffer's gift but many smaller sums that in the aggregate are double our endowment. It is certainly a commentary on horticultu-

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(Mr. Wister's letter to Mr. McFadden continued)

interest in Philadelphia that with all its people of wealth only one person has been interested in giving money to the Society; and I am sure that if the Society does good work in the future that many persons will be found who will give money to increase our endowment to a million or more.

"May I add by way of explanation that the sliding scale is by no means original with me, and that it has been used for many years by the Royal Horticultural Society.

"Yours sincerely,

"John C. Wister" (Signed)

The President said that he would like to address the Council on this subject, and asked if he should request some other member of the Council to take the chair. It was decided that this was not necessary and the following is a summary of Mr. Boyd's remarks:

Mr. Boyd stated that when the Society was organized in 1827, the membership was 79, and it gradually increased to about 760 in 1884. At this time, the Annual Dues were \$3.00. In 1904, the dues were advanced to \$5.00 and the membership dropped about 33 1/3%. A special effort was made in 1915 to increase the membership and it advanced to about 350 and then dropped back to 150. Since then, it has steadily increased until it is now over 1700.

He called attention to the fact that we now have members in Vermont, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Connecticut, New York, District of Columbia, Maryland, Virginia, South Carolina, Michigan, Texas and California. He stated that many of these persons feel they are promoting horticulture by helping to sustain the Society and do not consider how little return they get for their dues. He also called attention to the fact that less than 20% of our members attend our lectures and about 25% make use of our library, while not over 50% ever attend our exhibitions. He said that our office expenses, including rent, salaries, etc., were the same whether our membership was 1,000 or 10,000. He also mentioned that the Massachusetts Society has over 800 Life Members and we have only 99. He urged that more Annual Members should be induced to take Life Membership.

In conclusion, he stated that he felt that each and every new Annual Member cost the Society only 75¢ for HORTICULTURE and 25¢ for stationery and postage, so that every new member increased our income by \$2.00 net; and he hoped the time was not far distant when the Annual Dues would be reduced to \$2.00 so that every flower lover in the community could enjoy its benefits.

Considerable discussion followed in which Mr. McFadden, Mr. Serrill, Mr. Boyd, Mr. Stout and Mr. Michell participated; and because many of the members had left the meeting on account of the lateness of the hour, Mr. Burpee moved that the report be laid upon the table and the Committee discharged. His motion was seconded and it was so voted.

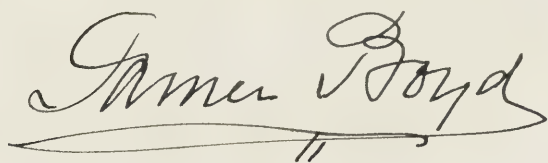
Mr. McFadden's suggestion in regard to Garden Photographs came up for consideration, but owing to the hour the matter was not discussed. Upon motion

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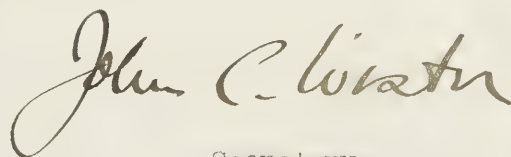
of Mr. Pennock, duly seconded, it was:

RESOLVED, That the tentative sum of \$1500.00 shall be reserved in the budget for 1929, for possible use in preparing a photographic exhibit of gardens.

There being no further business, the meeting, on motion, adjourned.



President.



Secretary.

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A regular meeting of the Executive Council of THE PENNSYLVANIA HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY was held in the rooms of the Society, 1600 Arch Street, on the above date.

Those present were: Mr. James Boyd, Mr. Louis Burk, Mrs. William T. Elliott, Mr. F. R. Furness, Mrs. Caspar W. Hacker, Mrs. Horatio Gates Lloyd, Mr. J. Franklin McFadden, Mr. S. S. Pennock, Mr. William J. Serrill, Mr. C. F. C. Stout, and Mr. John C. Wister.

The President was in the Chair.

The following members had notified the Secretary of their inability to attend the meeting: Mrs. Edward M. Cheston, Mrs. Thomas Newhall, and Mr. Henry F. Michell.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were approved as published and distributed.

The Secretary presented the names of 23 persons who were proposed for membership, and they were duly elected. He announced that since the last meeting of the Executive Council, 52 Annual Members had transferred to Life Membership.

The Secretary reported that the total membership of the Society as of the above date was 1710. He stated that there had been 11 meetings in the Council Room during the past month, 32 visitors to the library, 20 general visitors and 31 telephone calls for information.

The following Standing Committees for 1929 were appointed by the President and approved by the Council:

Executive Committee

Mr. James Boyd, Chairman
Mr. Benjamin Bullock
Mr. Henry F. Michell
Mr. William J. Serrill
Mr. John Williams

Library Committee

Mrs. Horatio Gates Lloyd, Chairman
Mrs. Arthur E. Billings
Mrs. Francis Von A. Cabeen, Jr.
Mrs. John S. Newbold
Mrs. William J. Willcox

Lecture Committee

Mrs. William T. Elliott, Chairman
Mrs. Horatio Gates Lloyd
Mr. John C. Wister

Finance Committee

Mr. C. F. C. Stout, Chairman
Mr. Fitz Eugene Dixon
Mr. S. S. Pennock

Exhibition Committee

Mr. W. Atlee Burpee, Jr., Chairman
Mrs. William T. Elliott
Mr. F. R. Furness
Mrs. D. Braden Kyle
Mr. John Williams

The President stated that the Garden Committee for 1929 had not yet been appointed. He spoke of a new plan that he hopes can be worked out for Garden Visits this year, by which the members of the Society will be permitted to attend

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the Garden Days arranged by the School of Horticulture. This plan would necessitate the payment of a certain amount of money to the School of Horticulture - which amount would be determined later. Mr. William J. Serrill was appointed Chairman of the Garden Committee and it was decided that the appointment of the other members should be left open until the next meeting.

The President presented his report of the activities and progress of the Society during 1928, and after a few minor corrections had been made, it was voted that the report, which follows, should be accepted:

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

It is my pleasant duty to give you at this time a brief report of the activities of your Society during 1928 - also some suggestions for the new year just started which you know is our hundred and second.

The growth in membership during the past year has been very satisfactory. January first, 1928, we had 1344 members and on the first day of this month, we had 1712, which is the largest gain the Society has ever had in a single year. A year ago we had 83 Life Members. We have added 19 to this number during the year and lost 3, making a total Life Membership of 99, January first, 1929.

The rooms of the Society have really become a horticultural center, and this Council Room was used for 120 meetings during the year. Following are some of the associations and committees that have met in this room: Committees of Garden Clubs, Philadelphia Flower Show, Inc., Keystone Branch of the Woman's National Farm and Garden Association, Wholesale Florists' Association, American Iris Society, American Peony Society, John Bartram Association, School of Horticulture for Women, and United Horticulture.

The use of the library has increased, and many accessions have been made, both by purchase and gifts. The principal gift during the year was made by Mrs. Horace M. Potts, of Mount Airy, who presented Lowe's "Ferns, British and Exotic," in eight volumes. The thanks of the Society have been conveyed to Mrs. Potts and other donors over the signature of our Secretary. A large number of periodicals have been bound and placed on the shelves in convenient form for reference.

The lectures have had only a fair attendance; the first and last lecture having about 125 persons each, and the second about 300. The acoustics in the Auditorium have been greatly improved during the summer by the Insurance Company of North America. An interesting schedule has been prepared for this season.

The Philadelphia Flower Show which was held in the Commercial Museum in March and in which we co-operated with the Florists' Club of Philadelphia, was even more satisfactory than any of its predecessors. The decorations in the hall were more attractive than ever before; the exhibits were of better quality than in any previous year and, with pleasant weather, the attendance was greater than ever before. This Society exhibited a garden of one hundred years ago to commemorate its Centennial Anniversary. Our booth was attractive and 100 new members were secured during the Show. The admission price was advanced to 75¢ and 62,230 persons attended. It is proposed to hold another Show in the same place this year, from March 11th to 16th, inclusive.

Our own exhibitions have had very poor attendance, and exhibitors have complained about going to considerable trouble and expense and then very few people coming to see what they had grown and shown. The Exhibiton Committee is

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not at all satisfied with the present arrangements. Cuthbert Street is closed and access to the freight elevator can be had only from the Arch Street doors across the hall. There is no parking space for motor cars near this door. I have searched the city very thoroughly for a hall that we might use for exhibitions this year, but with no success whatever. Several places in Fairmount Park have been proposed by the Garden Clubs, but the expense of policing an exhibition in most of these localities is very great. Exhibitions in the Park would require watchmen day and night and a number of them. A tent on the plot of ground bounded by Race Street, Twenty-second, and the Parkway, has been proposed and we have asked the Commissioners of Fairmount Park if the ground was available. No reply has been received yet but, in any event, it is not very desirable on account of the heat under a tent in June and the possibility of a thunderstorm. The best place we have ever had was Memorial Hall in Fairmount Park, and we hope before long that this will be available again.

We undertook two Spring Shows - May 22nd and June 12th. Each Show was open only for one day. At the first there were 162 paid admissions and at the second, there were 256 paid admissions. The attendance at neither Show was satisfactory; although the weather was favorable and the quality of the flowers shown exceedingly good.

Our Dahlia Show, October 2d and 3d, had 637 paid admissions. The quality of the Show was very good but the attendance not what it should have been.

The Hardy Chrysanthemum Show had an attendance of 221. This Show was free. At the others, there was an admission charge of 50¢.

The first Spring Show was held in the Auditorium and the other three Shows on the sixth floor of this building.

The Schaffer Memorial Cup, which was offered to the exhibitor receiving the greatest number of points for flowers at all the exhibitions during the year, was awarded again to Mr. Samuel M. Vaclain. Our Gold Medal was given to the Horticultural Society of New York, and was awarded at their Fall Show to Mrs. Edmund Cross for the best chrysanthemum exhibit. Garden Club Plaquettes were given to, and awarded by the Art League of Conshohocken, The Bala-Cynwyd Garden Club, The Bloomfield Floral Society, The Camden Dahlia Society, Cranford Horticultural Society, Doylestown Nature Club, The Garden Club of Westfield, Kennedy Unit - Woman's National Farm and Garden Association, Suburban Horticultural Society, Wilmington Garden Club, The Woman's Club of Wayne, Woodridge Garden Club, and the Worcester Flower Show.

The Society's Special Gold Medal was awarded to Thomas Roland of Nahant, Mass., for "the most beautiful exhibit" at the Third National Exhibition of the American Orchid Society, in New York, on May 10th. A Gold Medal was also awarded to Miss Mary Moore of Cambridge, Mass., for her bronze "Shell Bird Bath." This Medal was given by the Society to The Art Alliance of Philadelphia and was awarded at the Fifth Spring Exhibition of Sculpture-in-the-Open-Air, for "the best small piece of sculpture suitable for garden, conservatory, or for use with flowers indoors." The Exhibition was held in Rittenhouse Square in May 1928.

The Society coOperated in the movement for "Flowers for Flowerless Philadelphia," sponsored by the Art Alliance. Mrs. Charles F. Derby represented this Society and served at the flower booth at Broad Street Station on Thursday mornings in August. About five buckets of flowers were received each day and

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distributed to hospitals, missions, settlement-houses, etc.

Your Garden Committee arranged for a visit to the estates of Mr. J. Franklin McFadden, of Rosemont, Pa., and Mr. W. Minckle Smith, of Bryn Mawr, Pa., on May 12th. Between six and seven hundred people accepted the invitation to visit these gardens. Refreshments were furnished by the Garden Committee and details of cost, etc., will be given in their report. Beautiful flowers, perfect weather and excellent food made the occasion most enjoyable to everybody.

The donations or contributions which you made last year to the Arnold Arboretum, School of Horticulture, Bartram Gardens and the Brown Canker Fund were, I know, greatly appreciated. I hope you will decide to continue the latter this year, as I believe it is \$100.00 exceedingly well spent. It goes to assist in maintaining a fund for the study of Brown Canker, Mildew, Black Spot and other diseases of Roses at Cornell University; and lovers of Roses are hopeful of great benefits therefrom.

At the beginning of the year, Mr. Rust resigned the Secretaryship after a service of thirty-one years, and Mr. John C. Wister was elected to take his place. This change entailed the employment of an assistant for Mr. Wister and a redistribution of the duties in the office. The change has proven satisfactory in every way, and it has also enabled the Society to offer a new service to its members, as shown by the announcement which has been published in "Horticulture." Mr. Rust during the past year has served as Manager of Exhibitions, and his services have been given free to local Societies in this part of the country as a judge and adviser.

"Horticulture" which our members receive twice every month during the year continues to give pleasure and satisfaction to all. Commendations come from every quarter and amateurs particularly praise its helpful advice and information.

The history of the Society is rapidly approaching completion, and it is hoped that the book will go to press during the coming spring. Many valuable data have been compiled and interesting events chronicled which are not known to many of our members.

During the past year the Society has lost by death twenty-three members among them some of our oldest and best-known associates. I mention particularly Dr. Robert Huey, who died March 12, 1928, and who had been one of the country's leading amateur rosarians for the past thirty or forty years. Dr. Huey became a member of the Society in 1896, and a member of the Executive Council and Vice-President in 1917 and 1918. Thomas B. Meehan died April 1, 1928. He had been a member of the Society since 1892, and was one of the leading nurserymen of Pennsylvania. He was the son of the Thomas Meehan whose name appears so frequently in the early annals of this Society. Mr. Burnet Landreth died December 2, 1928. He was the oldest living member of the Society, having been elected in 1875. He was very active in the Society's affairs at the time of the Centennial in 1876. Resolutions of Sympathy were, in each of the above cases, passed by the Executive Council and a copy of the same sent to the respective families. Twenty-eight members resigned during the year, most of them on account of change in residence; and twenty-four were dropped for failure to pay dues.

During the past year we added the name of Mrs. James Mauran Rhodes to the list of our Honorary Members. Mrs. Rhodes organized the Flower Show Association of the Main Line, and has done much to increase interest in horticulture in the suburbs of Philadelphia. She is the widow of one of our former Presidents.

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In connection with this report, I wish to propose for Honorary Membership the name of Dr. John Muirhead Macfarlane, Professor Emeritus of Botany at the University of Pennsylvania. Dr. Macfarlane was born in Scotland in 1855, received his B. S. at the University of Edinburgh in 1880 and his L. L. D. at the University of Pennsylvania in 1919. He was Professor of Botany at the University of Pennsylvania from 1890 to 1920, and Professor Emeritus since 1920. He was one of the founders of the Botanical Society of Pennsylvania. He became a member of the Royal Society of Edinburgh in 1885. He is a member of the Academy of Natural Sciences, American Philosophical Society, and author of "Causes and Courses of Organic Evolution," published in 1918, and of many other books and papers. I found a photograph of Dr. Macfarlane in the copper box that was under the cornerstone of the last Horticultural Hall on Broad Street, and it occurred to me that a man of his prominence and ability in connection with plants and flowers deserved recognition from this Society. If you agree with me, I hope that somebody will propose his name as an Honorary Member.

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Upon motion of Mr. S. S. Pennock, duly seconded, it was voted that Dr. John M. Macfarlane should be elected an Honorary Member of the Society.

It was also voted that the name of Mr. Burnet Landreth should be added to the Roll of Honorary Members, and the Secretary was instructed to inform Mr. Landreth's family of this action.

The President spoke of the death of Lord Lambourne, President of The Royal Horticultural Society, and Mr. Wister offered the following Resolution:

WHEREAS, the Executive Council of The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society learns with deep regret of the death of the Right Honorable, The Lord Lambourne, President of The Royal Horticultural Society, which occurred on December 26, 1928, and,

WHEREAS, Lord Lambourne was one of the leading horticulturists in Great Britain, therefore, it is

RESOLVED, That this Society deeply deplores the death of Lord Lambourne and fully sympathizes with The Royal Horticultural Society in the loss they have sustained.

The death of Pernet-Ducher, the famous French nurseryman, was also mentioned, and Mr. Wister introduced the following Resolution upon his death:

WHEREAS, the Executive Council of The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society learns with deep regret of the death of Joseph Pernet-Ducher, at Lyons, France, on November 23, 1928, and,

WHEREAS, the name of Pernet-Ducher is world-famous on account of his creation of many flame-colored garden Roses, produced from the Austrian Briar crossed with Hybrid Teas, and

WHEREAS, among the varieties well-known in this country which were produced by Pernet-Ducher are Rayon d'Or, Lyon, Mme. Caroline Testout, Mrs. Aaron Ward, Mme. Edouard Herriot, Willowmere, Constance, Souvenir de Claudius Pernet, Souvenir de Georges Pernet, Angele Pernet and Ville de Paris, which

class of Roses has been called Pernetiana in his honor, and,

WHEREAS, many of these Roses have won the coveted Gold Medal at the Bagatelle Gardens in Paris, therefore, it is

RESOLVED, That the members of the Executive Council of The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society, individually and collectively, herewith express their sorrow and sympathy to the family of Joseph Pernet-Ducher and to the Societie Nationale d'Horticulture de France.

The President next called upon Mrs. Hacker, Chairman of the Garden Committee during 1928, to read the report of that Committee - which was as follows:

Report of Garden Committee: Gardens visited May 12, 1928, belonging to Mr. J. Franklin McFadden, of Rosemont, Pa., and Mr. W. Hinckle Smith, of Bryn Mawr, Pa.

<u>Expenditures</u>	
Caterer	412.50
Printing	47.75
Postage	46.40
Miscellaneous	18.06
Signs	10.00
Total	<u>531.71</u>
Budget Appropriation	200.00
Deficit	

Mr. C. F. C. Stout, Chairman of the Finance Committee, submitted the following Financial Report for the year 1928:

Statement of Condition January 1, 1929.

		<u>ASSETS</u>	
<u>Cash</u>	-General Fund	1,504.49	
	Life Membership Fund	1,975.00	3,479.49
<u>Schaffer Fund</u>	- Girard Trust Co. Trustee		353,767.81
<u>Investments</u>	Life Membership & Other Funds		22,289.33
<u>Equipment</u>			
	Office Furniture, etc.	6,643.10	
	Library Books, Shelving &c.	5,710.58	
	Portraits	6,265.00	
	Exhibition Tables, Vases	2,682.90	21,301.58
<u>Supplies, etc.</u>			608.81
Total Assets			<u>401,447.02</u>

		<u>LIABILITIES</u>	
Temporary Loan at Girard Trust Co.			2,000.00
Balance			<u>399,447.02</u>
Consisting of:			
	Schaffer Fund	353,767.81	
	Life Membership Fund	15,430.00	
	General Fund	17,021.22	
	Appraisal Adjustment	13,227.99	
			<u>399,447.02</u>

STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES

YEAR 1928.

GENERAL FUNDRECEIPTS

Received From:

Schaffer Fund - Girard Trust Co., Trustee	20,424.23	
Interest on Investments	1,200.00	
Interest on Bank Balances	79.72	21,703.95
Dues:		
1928 Account	4,322.00	
1929 Account	378.00	4,700.00
Total Above Receipts		26,403.95

EXPENDITURES

Committees:

Executive:

Rent	5,100.00	
Salaries	8,440.00	
Miscellaneous	2,274.75	15,814.75

Lecture:

Lecturers, Rent of Hall, etc.		602.13
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Exhibition:

Rent	895.04	
Phila. Flower Show	1,108.64	
Prizes and Medals	1,885.45	
Miscellaneous	1,445.59	5,334.72
Less Admissions	488.05	4,846.67

Library:

Subscriptions to Horticulture	1,127.86	
Books	710.58	
Miscellaneous	117.03	1,955.47

Garden - Visits and Entertainment

531.71

Special:

Arnold Arboretum	1,000.00	
Bartram Gardens	500.00	
School of Horticulture	1,000.00	
Brown Canker Fund	100.00	
Equipment	1,090.60	3,690.60

History of Society

458.81

Total Above Expenditures

27,900.14

Excess of Expenditures over Receipts

1,496.19

Cash on Hand January 1, 1928

900.68

Temporary Loan Girard Trust Company

2,000.00

Cash on Hand December 31, 1928

1,404.49

LIFE MEMBERSHIP FUND

Balance January 1, 1928 - Cash

1,025.00

Receipts during year 1928 - 19 new memberships

950.00

1,975.00

Balance December 31, 1928 - Cash

1,975.00

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Mr. Stout then presented the Budget which had been prepared for 1929, which was as follows:

ESTIMATED INCOME.....	26,000.00
ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES:	
Executive Committee	15,800.00
Lecture Committee	750.00
Exhibition Committee	2,500.00
Library Committee	1,400.00
Special Appropriations:	
Garden Visiting Days	500.00
Horticulture	1,300.00
Brown Canker Fund	100.00
Garden Photographs	500.00
Depreciation	<u>1,170.00</u>
TOTAL	24,020.00
UNAPPROPRIATED	<u>1,980.00</u>
	26,000.00

In addition to the Budget Provisions outlined above, the Finance Committee authorized the expenditure of 75¢ for each new member for HORTICULTURE.

Mr. Stout explained the Report, particularly the figures of the Budget, in detail, and a general discussion followed. In connection with the cut in the appropriation requested by the Exhibition Committee, the President, in the absence of the Chairman of that Committee, went over the situation thoroughly. He reminded the Council that the Society would take charge of the women's classes in the Philadelphia Flower Show. He explained that because the Exhibition Committee's appropriation is cut in half this year, there would be no funds available for the usual Exhibitions. He suggested that in order to make up for the omission of the Spring Show, an Exhibition of Roses might be arranged in the Council Room and the Robert C. Wright Rose Medal awarded. He also suggested offering prizes to well-kept gardens and estates - as the Massachusetts Society does. He added that if the Society co-operates with the School of Horticulture in a Garden Visiting plan, this privilege would help make up for the lack of Exhibitions. The President read a list of donors of prizes, and amounts, contributed several years ago for the Society's Exhibitions, and mentioned that if such gifts were still made, there would be no difficulty in having the usual Exhibitions this year. It was finally voted to leave the matter of Exhibitions, Prizes, etc., in the hands of the Exhibition Committee.

The Reserve for Depreciation as shown in the Budget came up for special consideration, and upon motion of Mr. McFadden, duly seconded, it was:

RESOLVED, That Depreciation covering the books, equipment, etc., of the Library, amounting to \$500.00 shall be removed from the Budget.

In connection with Life Membership, the point was brought up as to whether the funds derived therefrom should be invested during the lifetime of the member, only, and then used in any way the Society sees fit, or whether they should be invested in a permanent fund and kept inviolate as long as the Society exists. In either case the interest only would be available for current expenses. Upon Mr. Pennock's motion, duly seconded, it was:

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RESOLVED, That the Life Membership fees shall be placed in a permanent fund, which shall be invested at the direction of the Finance Committee and the interest only used.

It was then voted that the Finance Committee's Report should be accepted as rendered, with the exception of a reduction of \$500.00 in Depreciation allowance.

The President called attention to the \$500.00 in the Budget which had been appropriated as the nucleus of a fund to be used for making a collection of Garden Photographs, and plans for such a project were discussed. Mr. McFadden was asked to serve as Chairman of a Committee to attend to this, but he said that this would be impossible. It was voted that the President should appoint a Committee of three before the next meeting of the Executive Council.

There being no further business, the meeting, on motion, adjourned.

James Boyd

President.

John C. Wister

Secretary.



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February 20, 1929.

A regular meeting of the Executive Council of THE PENNSYLVANIA HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY was held in the rooms of the Society, 1600 Arch Street, on the above date.

Those present were: Mr. James Boyd, Mr. Louis Burk, Mr. W. Atlee Burpee, Jr., Mrs. Edward M. Cheston, Mrs. William T. Elliott, Mr. F. R. Furness, Mr. John P. Habermehl, Mrs. Caspar W. Hacker, Mr. William J. Serrill and Mr. John C. Wister.

The President was in the Chair.

The following members had notified the Secretary of their inability to attend the meeting: Mrs. H. G. Lloyd, Mrs. Thomas Newhall, Mr. J. Franklin McFadden, Mr. Henry F. Michell and Mr. S. S. Pennock.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were approved as published and distributed.

The Secretary presented the names of 72 persons who were proposed for membership and they were duly elected, 68 becoming Annual Members and 4 Life Members. He announced, also, that 12 persons had transferred from Annual to Life Membership.

The Secretary reported that the total membership of the Society as of the above date was 1771. He stated that there had been 15 meetings in the Council Room during the last month, 115 visitors to the library, 140 general visitors and 58 telephone calls for information. The unusually large number of visitors was due to the fact that three lectures had been given during this period. The Secretary stated that the attendance at Miss Bright's lecture on January 22nd, had been 218, at Mr. Baxter's, on February 5th, 250, at Mr. MacLeod's afternoon lecture, on February 19th, 163, and at his evening lecture the same day, 60. The Secretary stated that the evening lecture had been repeated at the request of about 60 members, and he hoped that an evening lecture will be given again next year. He added that the lectures had been of very high quality, and that those who had attended them had liked them very much.

The Secretary made a report of Mr. Rust's visits to gardens of members, stating that Mr. Rust, as Gardening Consultant, had visited 9 gardens and had had several interviews here in the office and considerable correspondence about gardening problems. He added that the persons whose places had been visited expressed themselves as very much pleased with this new service.

A letter from Dr. John M. McFarlane, thanking the Society for his election to Honorary Membership was read by the Secretary.

Also, a letter from the Royal Horticultural Society, acknowledging the Resolutions passed by the Executive Council on the death of Lord Lambourne, was read.

Mr. Serrill, as Chairman of the Special Committee on the Revision of By-Laws explained the changes that his Committee recommended, and upon his motion, duly seconded, the following Resolution was adopted unanimously:

RESOLVED, That the present By-Laws be amended in accordance with the recommendations of the Special Committee.

The President requested the Executive Committee's approval of the appointment of Mrs. Charles S. Starr and Mr. Morris Lewis Stovell as additional members of the Exhibition Committee. This approval was given.

Possible places for future Exhibitions were discussed, and it was decided that when the new Franklin Memorial is erected, this building would be an ideal place for Exhibitions. In this connection, the following Resolution was unanimously adopted:

WHEREAS, This Society has learned from articles appearing in the press that the Benjamin Franklin Memorial, Inc., intends to erect a monumental architectural memorial to Benjamin Franklin on a proposed site on the Parkway, and,

WHEREAS, This Society has occasional need of a suitable Hall for its exhibitions of plants and flowers, it is,

RESOLVED, That the President of this Society is requested to communicate with the officers of the Benjamin Franklin Memorial, Inc., to advise them of our wishes for an opportunity to confer with them in the hope that at least one of the Halls in the Memorial Building may be suitable for our exhibitions and available for a reasonable rental.

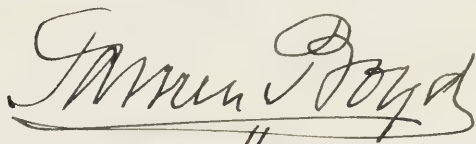
The President announced the appointment of a Garden Photograph Committee, composed of Mrs. Edward M. Cheston, Mr. F. R. Furness and Mr. J. Franklin McFadden. Owing to the absence of Mr. McFadden, there will be no meeting of this Committee until after his return in April.

The Executive Council approved the appointment of Mr. William J. Serrill to act as Chairman of the Executive Committee during the President's absence in the south.

The Centennial Anniversary of the Massachusetts Horticultural Society was discussed and the President appointed Mr. C. F. C. Stout, Vice President, and Mr. John C. Wister, Secretary, to represent the Society at this celebration.

The President reported that the compilation of the history of the Society is progressing satisfactorily.

There being no further business, the meeting, on motion, adjourned.


President.


Secretary.

March 20, 1929.

The regular meeting of the Executive Council of THE PENNSYLVANIA HORTICULTURAL Society called for the above date was adjourned on account of lack of a quorum.

John C. Winkler
Secretary.



April 17, 1929.

A regular meeting of the Executive Council of THE PENNSYLVANIA HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY was held in the rooms of the Society, 1600 Arch Street, on the above date.

Those present were: Mr. James Boyd, Mr. W. Atlee Burpee, Jr., Mrs. Edward M. Cheston, Mr. John P. Habermehl, Mrs. Caspar W. Hacker, Mrs. H. G. Lloyd, Mr. J. Franklin McFadden, Mr. Henry F. Michell, Mrs. Thomas Newhall, Mr. S. S. Pennock, Mr. William J. Serrill, and Mr. C. F. C. Stout.

The President was in the Chair.

In the absence of the Secretary, Miss Root acted as secretary of the meeting.

The following members had notified the Secretary of their inability to be present: Mr. F. E. Dixon, Mrs. William T. Elliott, Mr. F. R. Furness, and Mr. John C. Wister.

The Minutes of the meeting held on February 20th were approved as published and distributed. The President stated that the meeting called for March 20th had not been held on account of lack of a quorum. It was decided that since the Annual Meeting of the Garden Club of America will be in session on May 15th, the next meeting of the Executive Council shall be called for May 8th.

110 persons were proposed for Annual Membership, 52 of whom had been enrolled at the Philadelphia Flower Show, and they were duly elected. It was announced that 4 Life Members had been added to that class of membership, and that the total membership of the Society as of April 1st, was 1861. There had been 12 meetings in the Council Room in the period between the previous Council meeting on February 20th, and April 1st; 88 general visitors and 50 visitors to the library. Mr. Rust had made 9 visits to gardens of members, and had had several interviews in the offices of the Society. Also, he had managed the Women's Classes in the Philadelphia Flower Show.

A letter was read by the President, from Mr. Wister, in which he reported his visit to the Centennial Exhibition in Boston. Mr. Wister acted as official representative of the Society, and in that capacity attended Mr. Burrage's dinner on March 19th, and on behalf of Mr. Boyd extended the greetings of this Society to the Massachusetts Society. Mr. Wister's letter gave a very interesting resumé of the three Spring Flower Shows - in Philadelphia, New York and Boston.

The Chairman of the Exhibition Committee, Mr. W. Atlee Burpee, Jr. presented a report of the Philadelphia Flower Show. He stated that the Show had been the most successful, both from an artistic and financial standpoint, of any that have yet been given. The total attendance for the week was between 60,000 and 70,000, and it is thought that there will be a profit of about \$5,000.00. He said that the Committee regretted that the Society had not been able to afford an exhibit such as last year's garden; but that the booth of the Society had been provided with comfortable chairs and that in addition to serving as a place to enroll members, it had been a pleasant place for persons to meet their friends and rest.

In connection with the Philadelphia Flower Show, the President announced that the date of this event in 1930 has been set for March 24th to 29th, inclusive, and that the New York Show will be held from March 17th to 22nd, inclusive.

A letter from Dr. J. Horace McFarland was read, in which he called attention to the lack of facilities for purchasing and ordering flowers, plants, etc., direct, at the exhibits in the three big Flower Shows. This matter was discussed and also the question of selling cut flowers was brought up. Upon motion of Mrs. Cheston, duly seconded, it was:

RESOLVED, That the Executive Council asks the Philadelphia Flower Show for the privilege of working out a plan to have flowers sold at the March Flower Show.

The President read a letter from Mr. Albert C. Burrage, President of the Massachusetts Horticultural Society, offering the members of this Society the privilege of building a Rotatable Greenhouse according to patent granted to him, and upon motion of Mr. Habermehl, duly seconded, it was:

RESOLVED, That the Executive Council of The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society expresses its thanks to Mr. Albert C. Burrage for his kindness in offering the use of his patent for a Rotatable Greenhouse to the members of this Society.

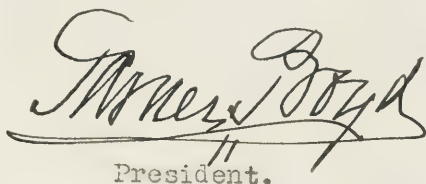
A letter from the National Federation of Garden Clubs was read, in which they requested that Mr. Boyd or some other representative of this Society attend a conference in Washington on May 1st and 2nd, to discuss the feasibility of a National Council. After some discussion, upon motion, it was:

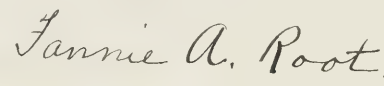
RESOLVED, That the President shall use his own judgment in the matter of appointing a representative of this Society to attend conference in Washington on May 1st and 2nd.

The President announced that a letter had been received from The Art Alliance, urging the Society to co-operate again this summer in the movement for "Flowers for the Flowerless." Upon motion of Mrs. H. G. Lloyd, duly seconded, it was:

RESOLVED, That Mrs. Charles F. Derby be asked to again represent the Society in this work; and if she thinks a Committee is desirable, that she be asked to act as Chairman and to name members of the Society whom she would like to have serve with her on the Committee.

There being no further business, the meeting, on motion, adjourned.


President.


Secretary of
the Meeting.

May 8, 1929.

A regular meeting of the Executive Council of THE PENNSYLVANIA HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY was held in the rooms of the Society, 1600 Arch Street, on the above date.

Those present were: Mr. James Boyd, Mr. W. Atlee Burpee, Jr., Mrs. Edward M. Cheston, Mrs. William T. Elliott, Mr. John P. Habermehl, Mrs. Horat Gates Lloyd, Mr. Henry F. Michell, Mr. S. S. Pennock and Mr. W. Hinckle Smith.

The President (James Boyd) was in the Chair.

In the absence of the Secretary, Miss Root acted as secretary of the meeting.

The following members had notified the Secretary of their inability to be present: Mr. F. E. Dixon, Mrs. Caspar W. Hacker, Mrs. Thomas Newhall, Mr. C. F. C. Stout and Mr. John C. Wister.

The Minutes of the meeting held on April 17th were approved as published and distributed.

47 persons whose names had been proposed for Annual Membership and whose name had been proposed for Life Membership were duly elected. The Secretary reported that two members had been transferred from Annual to Life Membership during the past month, and that the total membership of the Society as of the above date was 1907. Also, that there had been 27 meetings in the Council Room since the last meeting, 69 general visitors and 35 visitors to the library. During this period, Mr. Rust, in his capacity of Gardening Consultant had made 20 visits to the gardens of members, had given one lecture to a gardening group in Haddonfield, N. J., and had given gardening advice to several members of the Society.

The President spoke of the death of Dr. John W. Harshberger, and upon motion of Mr. Pennock, duly seconded, the following resolution was adopted:

WHEREAS, The Executive Council of The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society has learned with deep sorrow of the sudden death of Dr. John W. Harshberger, on Saturday, April 27, 1929, and,

WHEREAS, Dr. Harshberger, head of the Botany Department of the University of Pennsylvania, was one of the leading botanists of this country, the author of several hundred scientific articles which have been published in various magazines and bulletins, and a well-known lecturer on botanical subjects, and,

WHEREAS, Dr. Harshberger was deeply interested in the conservation of our natural resources, was president of the first society organized to preserve the wild flowers of Pennsylvania, an officer of other societies devoted to the promotion of the natural sciences, and a valuable member of this Society for several years, Therefore, it is

RESOLVED, That The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society deeply deplores Dr. Harshberger's loss to this Society and to the horticultural world, and directs that a copy of these Resolutions be sent, with sincere sympathy, to the daughters of Dr. Harshberger, and further directs that a copy be spread upon the Minutes of the Society.

A letter from Mr. Wister, addressed to the President, was read, in which Mr. Wister expressed his regret at not being at the meeting and gave some facts about the Centennial Exhibition of the Massachusetts Horticultural Society which he had learned during a recent visit to Boston.

The question was brought up as to whether a Dahlia Exhibition should be held this coming Fall, and there was a general discussion of the matter. Mr. W. Atlee Burpee, Jr., Chairman of the Exhibition Committee, explained to the Executive Council that there were not sufficient funds left in the Exhibition Committee's appropriation for the year to finance a Dahlia Show. He stated, however, that the Committee is very anxious to hold a Show, and asked for suggestions as to obtaining the necessary money for the purpose. It was first thought that the unexpended balance in the Lecture Committee's appropriation might be transferred to the Exhibition Committee, but Mrs. Elliott, Chairman of the Lecture Committee, explained that her Committee had practically decided to give an additional lecture in November (as they would be able to secure Mr. Cox, a well-known English writer and lecturer at that time) and in that case there would be a very small unexpended balance in their appropriation. The members of the Council agreed that this lecture would be very desirable, and that the money for the Dahlia Show would have to be obtained from some other source. Mr. Burpee stated that in making his estimate of the expenses, he had not made any allowance for paid admissions. With the additional revenues, from these admissions, the Council decided that the Exhibition Committee would be justified in going ahead and making arrangements for a Dahlia Show. Mr. Burpee reported that he had given the matter of the best place to hold a Show thorough consideration, and was convinced that the Bellevue-Stratford would be the most satisfactory location. He had learned from the management of that hotel that the Stratford Room could be rented for \$100. a day, and he thought that it would probably be necessary to have the room for three days -- two for the Exhibition itself, and then the day preceding to stage it. Upon motion of Mr. Burpee, duly seconded, it was:

RESOLVED, That a Dahlia Exhibition shall be held by the Society on September 27th and 28th, in the Stratford Room of the Bellevue-Stratford.

The details were left in the hands of the Committee, but it was recommended that the admission price should be 50¢, and that on account of the limited size of the exhibition hall, quality of exhibits rather than quantity should be stressed.

A letter from the Royal Horticultural Society was read, inviting members of this Society to attend the Eighth International Horticultural Congress to be held in London in August 1930. The Secretary was instructed to acknowledge the invitation and express the hope that the Society will be represented at the Congress.

The President announced that the Council for Preservation of Natural Beauty in Pennsylvania had requested this Society to furnish a supply of

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"Spare the Wild Flowers" signs. Upon motion of Mrs. Cheston, duly seconded it was:

"RESOLVED, That The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society shall give to the Council for Preservation of Natural Beauty in Pennsylvania, the sum of Fifty (\$50.00) Dollars to be expended for the purchase of cloth signs asking the public to spare the wild flowers- these signs to be posted throughout the state.

In view of the above appropriation, the Executive Council recommended that the name of this Society should head the list of organizations sponsoring this movement, as printed on the sign.

A letter was read from Mr. B. B. Starkey, Secretary of the Philadelphia Flower Show, Inc., stating that the motion adopted by the Executive Council on April 17th (requesting that this Society be allowed to present a plan whereby flowers might be sold at the Philadelphia Flower Show) would be presented to their Executive Committee. Upon motion of Mrs. Cheston, duly seconded, it was:

RESOLVED, That we (the Executive Council) thank the Philadelphia Flower Show, Inc., for allowing us to take up the subject again, and we will present a more detailed report later. We suggest that any profit made from sale of flowers be divided equally between The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society and the Philadelphia Flower Show, Inc.

There being no further business, the meeting, on motion, adjourned

James Boyd

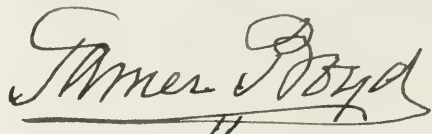
President.

Fannie A. Root

Secretary of the Meeting.

September 18, 1929.

A regular meeting of the Executive Council of THE PENNSYLVANIA HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY was called on the above date in the Society's rooms, 1600 Arch Street, but on account of lack of a quorum, the meeting was adjourned.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Warner Boyd". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name "President."

President.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Fannie A. Root". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name "Secretary of the Meeting."

Secretary of the Meeting.

A regular meeting of the Executive Council of THE PENNSYLVANIA HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY was held in the rooms of the Society, 1600 Arch Street, on the above date.

Those present were: Mr. James Boyd, Mrs. William T. Elliott, Mr. Louis Burk, Mr. John P. Habermehl, Mr. Henry F. Michell, Mr. C. F. C. Stout and Mr. John C. Wister.

The President (James Boyd) was in the Chair.

The minutes of the meeting held on May 8th were read and approved.

The Secretary reported that the following persons had notified him of their inability to be present: Mrs. Edward M. Cheston, Mrs. Caspar W. Hacker, Mrs. H. G. Lloyd, Mrs. Thomas Newhall, Mr. F. E. Dixon, Mr. J. Franklin McFadden, Mr. S. S. Pennock and Mr. William J. Serrill.

One hundred and two persons whose names had been proposed for Annual Membership and one whose name had been proposed for Life Membership were duly elected. The Secretary stated that the total membership as of the above date was 1993. He also reported that there had been fourteen meetings in the Council Room since May 8th, 223 general visitors, and 190 visitors to the Library. During this same period, Mr. Rust had made 58 visits to gardens of members.

A letter from Mrs. Hacker tendering her resignation on account of her absence from Philadelphia this winter, was read, and upon motion of Mrs. Elliott, it was

RESOLVED, That the Executive Council accept Mrs. Hacker's resignation with regret.

The President stated that a successor to Mrs. Hacker would be elected by the Council at its next meeting, and requested that suitable candidates be considered.

The President announced that letters had been received from the Massachusetts Horticultural Society, thanking this Society for the gold medals awarded upon the occasion of its Centennial Celebration.

Upon motion of Mr. Michell, the following resolution was adopted unanimously:

RESOLVED, That the Executive Council thank Mrs. Horatio Gates Lloyd for the portrait of John Bartram which she very kindly presented to the Society during the past summer.

The President informed the Council that a gift of \$250 to the Library of the Society had been received last June from the four *Garden Clubs, and upon motion of Mr. Stout, the following resolution was adopted:

RESOLVED, That the Executive Council of The Pennsylvania Hor-

* The Garden Club of Philadelphia, The Gardeners, The Weeders and The Four Counties Garden Club.

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ticultural Society thank the four Garden Clubs of Philadelphia for their gracious gift of \$250 to the Library of the Society; and also express their appreciation to the Garden Club of America for approving the appropriation.

A letter from the Estate of W. W. Harrison was read, offering some twenty to twenty-five bay-trees to the Society. After careful consideration the Secretary was instructed to decline the gift with thanks as the Society has no proper place for the trees.

The President announced that the Philadelphia Flower Show would like the Society to take charge of the Women's Classes at the Philadelphia Flower Show in March 1930, and upon motion of Mr. Habermehl, it was

RESOLVED, That The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society will be glad to take charge of the Women's Classes at the Philadelphia Flower Show in March 1930 - the same as in 1929.

The Secretary reported the latest developments in the plant registration movement, and he was instructed to write the Committee in charge that the Society is glad to hear of the continued developments in the scheme and wishes to express again its interest in and approval of the project.

Upon motion of Mr. Wister, the following resolutions in regard to the death of John Cook were adopted:

WHEREAS, The Executive Council of The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society notes with deep regret the passing of the veteran rose grower, John Cook, whose death in his ninety-sixth year, occurred on October 8, 1929, at his home in Baltimore, and

WHEREAS, John Cook was an eminent rose breeder, producing the first American Hybrid Tea Rose, "Souvenir of Wootton," in 1888, and twenty years later "Radiance," one of the best-known and best-loved roses in all the world; and also produced "Francis Scott Key," "My Maryland" and many other roses, therefore, it is

RESOLVED, That The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society greatly appreciates the valuable hybridizing work Mr. Cook has done, and deeply sympathizes with his family, and it is further

RESOLVED, That these resolutions be spread upon the minutes and a copy sent to the family of Mr. Cook.

A letter from Mrs. Charles F. Derby was read, reporting her work during the summer on the Committee "Flowers for the Flowerless" and upon motion of Mr. Michell, a vote of thanks was extended to Mrs. Derby for representing the Society again this summer in the movement.

The Chairman, Mr. C. F. Stout, of the Nominating Committee

reported that in accordance with the revised By-laws, a ticket has been prepared for the annual election of members to the Executive Council in November.

The President reported for the Exhibition Committee that the Dahlia Exhibition, held at Bryn Mawr in conjunction with the Bryn Mawr Horse Show on September 27th and 28th, had been a beautiful Show and that many persons had expressed their approval of a tent exhibition and hoped it would be repeated next year. The total expenditures for the Dahlia Show amounted to \$595.19. The Gold Medal of the Society offered for the best display of Dahlias was awarded to the W. Atlee Burpee Co. Silver Medals were awarded to Lyndora Gardens, Reinhold Greinberg and Echo Dale Gardens. Cash prizes amounting to \$288 were also awarded. For the fourth consecutive year the Rutledge Horticultural Society received the Society's Challenge Cup offered for a vase containing 18 Dahlias.

The Chairman, Mrs. William T. Elliott, of the Lecture Committee, reported that plans had been completed for the lecture by Mr. E. H. M. Cox, of London, England, on November 5th, and that the Lecture Committee suggested that Mr. Cox be invited to stay to tea after the lecture.

The following report was submitted for the Garden Committee, and accepted:

This summer for the first time, the Society co-operated with the School of Horticulture at Ambler, Pa., in Garden Visiting Days. There were eight Garden Days listed, starting May 4, 1929, and twenty-seven gardens were opened. Three hundred and fifty members of this Society visited gardens, and \$250 was given to the School of Horticulture for the privilege. Both the School and our members were very much pleased with the arrangement and hope that it will be continued next year.

The President requested Mr. Wister to tell the Council what had been done in connection with the proposed Arthur Hoyt Scott Arboretum at Swarthmore, and Mr. Wister stated that no definite plans have been formulated as yet.

The President stated that the History of the Society is nearing completion and upon Mr. Stout's motion, it was voted that advance notices of its publication should be prepared, offering the book to members at a pre-publication price of \$3.00 - the price after December 1st to be \$5.00.

There being no further business, the meeting, on motion adjourned.

J. B.

President.

John C. Wister
Secretary.

November 20, 1929.

A regular meeting of the Executive Council of THE PENNSYLVANIA HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY was held in the rooms of the Society, 1600 Arch Street, on the above date.

Those present were: Mr. James Boyd, Mrs. Edward M. Cheston, Mrs. William T. Elliott, Mrs. Horatio Gates Lloyd, Mr. Henry F. Michell, Mrs. Thomas Newhall, Mr. S. S. Pennock, Mr. William J. Serrill, Mr. C. F. C. Stout, and Mr. John C. Wister.

The President was in the Chair.

The Secretary reported that the following persons had notified him of their inability to be present: Mr. F. E. Dixon, Mr. John P. Habermehl and Mr. J. Franklin McFadden.

The minutes of the meeting held on October 16th were read and approved, with substitution of word "picture" for "portrait" in Resolution No. 2.

Forty-two persons were elected Annual Members. The Secretary stated that the total membership of the Society was 1993 - since the last meeting the Society had lost 42 members (39 owing to non-payment of dues and 3 by death) and had gained 42 new members. There had been twelve meetings in the Council Room during the past month, 128 general visitors and thirty-seven visitors to the Library. The large number of general visitors was due to the lecture on November 5th, and the Chrysanthemum Exhibition on November 5th and 6th. Mr. Rust had made nine visits to gardens of members since the last meeting.

The President^{stated} that there was not a quorum present for the Annual Meeting called for 2 P. M. on the above date, and consequently no meeting had been held.

The Secretary informed the Council that no additional candidates to those appearing on list prepared by the Nominating Committee had been nominated for the Executive Council and therefore in accordance with Section VIII, Paragraph 2, of the By-Laws, the following candidates were unanimously elected: To serve during year 1930, Mr. George L. Farnum; to serve during years 1930 and '31, Mr. Jay V. Hare; to serve during years 1930, '31 and '32, Mrs. Horatio Gates Lloyd, Mr. James Boyd, Mr. W. Atlee Burpee, Jr., Mr. J. Franklin McFadden, Mr. W. Hinckle Smith, Mr. John Williams and Mr. John C. Wister.

The President stated that due to the resignation of Mrs. Caspar W. Hacker there was a vacancy on the Council, and appointed a special committee composed of Mrs. Horatio Gates Lloyd and Mrs. Thomas Newhall to prepare a list of candidates and present it at the next meeting.

The Secretary reported for the Exhibition Committee as follows:

The Chrysanthemum Exhibition was held on the sixth floor of this building on November 5th and 6th. The attendance was 268. Cash prizes amounting to \$56 were awarded to Mrs. Sabin W. Colton, Mrs. Alan

Crawford, Mrs. H. P. Glendinning, Mrs. H. G. Lloyd, Robert J. Morrow, gardener to Mrs. Carroll S. Tyson, Jr., and Mr. W. H. Ritter. No medals were offered but "Very Honorable Mention" was given to the exhibits of Mr. George L. Farnum and The Out-Door Arts Company, and "Special Mention" to Mrs. Sabin W. Colton and Mr. W. H. Ritter. There will be a deficit of about \$550 in the Exhibition Committee's account at the end of this year owing to the presentation of the Dahlia Exhibition for which no appropriation had been made in the Budget.

The Chairman of the Lecture Committee, Mrs. William T. Elliott, reported as follows: Mr. E. H. M. Cox, of London, England, presented a lecture on Reginald Farrer and the work he did for Horticulture, on November 5th, in the auditorium of this building. The attendance was 166. Mr. Cox stayed to tea afterward and met about fifty members of the Society.

The Chairman of the Garden Committee, Mr. William J. Serrill, presented the following report:

The Garden Committee has paid visits of inspection to fourteen gardens and recommends the following awards:

A special gold medal to Mr. and Mrs. Horatio Gates Lloyd of Haverford, for an estate planted with great skill and a garden of interesting design and unsurpassed beauty, in which a great terraced bowl planted solely with iris is an unique feature; a lovely quarry garden fills a secluded nook. A creation which bears witness to Mrs. Lloyd's taste and knowledge.

A silver medal to Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Sill Clark of Chestnut Hill, for a garden beautifully planted and laid out very appropriately on the steeply sloping lawn in front of the house, from which is seen an extensive view of wooded country.

A silver medal to Mr. and Mrs. George L. Harrison, Jr., of St. Davids, for a garden of wild flowers set in a charming woodland vista, which, in its planting, bears witness to the keen personal interest and unusual botanical knowledge of Mrs. Harrison.

A silver medal to Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Newhall of Ithaca, for a garden of great charm, in which rock garden, formal garden, and meadow with picturesque spring house, have been skillfully combined into one artistic design.

A silver medal to Mrs. B. Franklin Pepper of Chestnut Hill, for the skill and taste with which an enclosed space between house and orangery, flanked with pieces of woodland as background, has been developed to express the enthusiasm and personality of the owner.

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Upon motion of Mr. Stout, duly seconded, it was voted that the report of the Garden Committee be accepted and the medals awarded.

At this point, Mr. C.F.C. Stout, Vice-President, took the Chair at the request of the President.

Mrs. Horatio Gates Lloyd and Mrs. Thomas Newhall were appointed representatives of this Society to attend a meeting called by the President to discuss the possibilities of forming a Pennsylvania State Federation of Garden Clubs, for November 25th.

The Secretary read a letter from the Philadelphia Housing Association, inviting this Society to exhibit at the Better Homes Exposition to be held at the 108th Regiment Armory, from February 3d to 8th. Upon motion of Mr. Boyd, duly seconded, it was voted that the Secretary should decline the invitation with regret.

The Chair called the attention of the Council to the neglected condition of Painter Arboretum, at Lima, near Media, Pa. This place is the property of Mr. John J. Tyler, and contains many rare specimens, which are badly in need of repair.

Upon motion of Mrs. Horatio Gates Lloyd, it was voted:

That the Schaffer Memorial Medal of The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society be awarded to Susan Delano McKelvey, for her monograph, "The Lilac."

The Treasurer submitted a brief summary of the financial condition of the various Committees in relation to the Budget, as of November 1st.

The President stated that he would name the Standing Committees for 1930 at the next meeting, and was authorized to form a special committee to consider suitable places for the Society's exhibitions.

There being no further business, the meeting, on motion, adjourned.


Secretary.

December 2, 1929.

A special meeting of the Executive Council of THE PENNSYLVANIA HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY was held in the rooms of the Society, 1600 Arch Street, on the above date; called by the Vice-President, Mr. C. Frederick C. Stout, upon learning of the sudden death of James Boyd, President.

Mr. Stout announced the death of Mr. Boyd, and in a few feeling words expressed something of what Mr. Boyd had meant to the Society and called attention to the distinct loss it has suffered in his death.

Those present were: Mr. Louis Burk, Mr. W. Atlee Burpee, Jr., Mrs. William T. Elliott, Mr. John P. Habermehl, Mrs. Horatio Gates Lloyd, Mr. S. S. Pennock, Mr. William J. Serrill, Mr. C. Frederick C. Stout, Mr. John Williams and Mr. John C. Wister.

A Special Committee composed of Mrs. William T. Elliott, Mrs. Horatio Gates Lloyd, Mr. S. S. Pennock, Mr. John C. Wister, with Mr. C. Frederick C. Stout, as Chairman, was then appointed to select an appropriate floral emblem to be sent by the Council; to attend the funeral services in a body; and also to draw up suitable resolutions upon Mr. Boyd's death.

Various members expressed their feeling of deep regret at the passing of Mr. Boyd and paid high tribute to his official and personal qualities.

The following resolution, drawn up by the Special Committee, was submitted to the Council and adopted:

The Executive Council of The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society has learned with profound regret of the death of James Boyd, its beloved President, which occurred on the second day of December, 1929; and,

WHEREAS, James Boyd has served as President of the Society, without remuneration, in a spirit of perfect devotion for eleven consecutive years in which time his knowledge of horticulture, his friendly approaches, together with his vision and wisdom brought the Society from an inactive state with a membership of but three hundred and fifty to its present flourishing condition with a total membership numbering two thousand. He was instrumental in the early years of his presidency in reorganizing the Council into its various committees and establishing a budget system whereby its income was most wisely expended for the purposes for which the Society was organized more than a hundred years ago. He planned for a new abode for the Society with space for its expanding library, adequate offices, and Council Room, in order to afford accommodations for the growing activities. He brought about the development of the library to the present well-arranged collection of over twenty-five hundred volumes. He secured and maintained the co-operation of garden clubs and other horticultural organizations in the vicinity of Philadelphia. He fostered the present harmonious relations with the Massachusetts Horticultural Society and The Horticultural Society of New York. He evolved a method

of conducting exhibitions which has been adopted by other organizations, and he was continually looking for improved methods of transacting all of the affairs of the Society. He established a regular course of lectures and instituted the Garden Visiting Days as part of the educational program of the Society. And as the crowning accomplishments of his ever faithful effort, he instigated the celebration of the Society's Centennial Anniversary in 1927, and completed the History of the Society's first hundred years, a painstaking and carefully prepared volume which will serve as a fitting memorial to him; and,

WHEREAS, James Boyd throughout his life was deeply interested in the advancement of horticulture, and has served the American Peony Society as president, as treasurer, and in 1928 as editor of the "Peony Manual"; and at the time of his death was a director in the American Peony Society, the American Iris Society, and the American Rose Society; and,

WHEREAS, The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society realizing the great loss it has sustained desires to place on record its acknowledgment of the loyal service he has unfailingly rendered to the cause of horticulture, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Executive Council express its heartfelt sympathy to the members of James Boyd's family, and direct that a copy of this Resolution be prepared in proper form and sent to his family and that it be inscribed upon the minutes of the Society.

There being no further business, the meeting, on motion, adjourned.

John C. Wister

Secretary.

December 18, 1929

A regular meeting of the Executive Council of THE PENNSYLVANIA HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY was held in the rooms of the Society, 1600 Arch Street, on the above date.

Those present were: Mr. W. Atlee Burpee, Jr., Mrs. Edward M. Cheston, Mrs. William T. Elliott, Mr. Fairman R. Furness, Mr. Jay Hare, Mrs. Horatio Gates Lloyd, Mr. J. Franklin McFadden, Mr. Henry F. Michell, Mrs. Thomas Newhall, Mr. S. S. Pennock, Mr. C. F. C. Stout and Mr. John C. Wister.

The Acting President, Mr. C. F. C. Stout, was in the Chair.

The Secretary reported that the following persons had notified him of their inability to be present: Mr. F. E. Dixon, Mr. William J. Serrill and Mr. W. Hinckle Smith.

The minutes of the regular meeting held on November 20th were approved as published and distributed.

The minutes of the special meeting called by Mr. Stout December 2nd upon learning of the death of Mr. Boyd which had occurred early that day, were read and approved.

The Secretary reported a total membership of 2009. He announced that one Annual Member and one Life Member had been lost through death since the last meeting. Mr. Rust had made eleven visits to gardens of members during the past month; there had been ten meetings in the Council Room, 46 general visitors to the Rooms and twenty-eight to the Library.

Seventeen persons were elected to membership, sixteen Annual Members and one Life Member.

The first topic under consideration was the matter of a Memorial to Mr. Boyd. Among the suggestions concerning the form the Memorial might take were: a Peony Medal, an oil portrait of Mr. Boyd for the Council Room, a Memorial Tablet, and the purchase and perpetual care of Mr. Boyd's garden in Haverford.

Upon motion of Mr. Furness, it was voted:

That the Acting President appoint a Committee of three to investigate the matter of a suitable memorial to Mr. Boyd and to report their recommendations to the Executive Council at the January meeting.

The Acting President appointed Mrs. Edward M. Cheston, Chairman, and Mr. J. Franklin McFadden and Mr. Fairman R. Furness members of the Committee.

Candidates to fill the vacancy in the Council caused by Mrs. Hacker's resignation were discussed and upon motion of Mr. Pennock, Mrs. Arthur Hoyt Scott, of Media, was elected unanimously. The Acting President reminded the Council that there is still a vacancy to be filled due to the death of Mr. Boyd.

Upon motion of Mrs. Lloyd, it was voted:

That the existing officers continue to act for the present.

The Acting President appointed a Committee composed of the following persons to consider the selection of Mr. Boyd's successor: Mr. S. S. Pennock, Chairman, Mrs. Horatio Gates Lloyd, Mrs. Thomas Newhall, Mr. W. Atlee Burpee and Mr. William J. Serrill.

The following Standing Committees for 1930 were appointed by the Acting President and approved by the Council:

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

William J. Serrill, Chairman
Mr. Benjamin Bullock Mr. Henry F. Michell
Mr. Louis Burk Mr. John Williams

LIBRARY COMMITTEE

Mrs. Horatio Gates Lloyd, Chairman
Mrs. Arthur E. Billings Mrs. John S. Newbold
Mrs. Francis Von A. Cabeen, Jr. Mrs. William J. Willcox

LECTURE COMMITTEE

Mrs. William T. Elliott, Chairman
Mrs. Horatio Gates Lloyd
Mr. John C. Wister

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Chairman to be announced later
Mr. Fitz Eugene Dixon Mr. S. S. Pennock
Mr. W. Hinckle Smith

EXHIBITION COMMITTEE

Mr. W. Atlee Burpee, Jr., Chairman
Mr. John Williams, Vice-Chairman
Mrs. William T. Elliott Mr. Jay V. Hare
Mr. Fairman R. Furness Mrs. D. Braden Kyle
Mrs. Charles S. Starr

GARDEN COMMITTEE

Mr. William J. Serrill, Chairman
(With power)

Mrs. Elliott reported in connection with the movement to form a State Federation of Garden Clubs. She stated that this Society is sponsoring the project and that all Pennsylvania Garden Clubs and other horticultural organizations of which this Society

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has a record are being invited to send representatives to two meetings which will be held in the Rooms of the Society - the first on Monday, January 13th at 10:30 A. M., and the second on Wednesday, March 26th, at the same hour. A luncheon and trip to the Philadelphia Flower Show are being planned as additional features of the March 26th meeting.

The Treasurer made a brief financial report, which was approved.

The Acting President stated that Mrs. Bayard Henry had spoken to him about a proposed celebration in 1931 to commemorate the two hundredth anniversary of the laying of the corner-stone of John Bartram's house, and that she hopes this Society will co-operate with the John Bartram Association and probably the Academy of Natural Sciences and the University of Pennsylvania, when definite plans for the event are formulated.

It was reported that during a call made by Mr. Boyd to the Academy of Natural Sciences in November, Dr. Francis W. Pennell, Curator of the Department of Botany, had offered a collection of specimens of cultivated flowers to this Society if it would agree to display them properly and give them adequate care. The Secretary was requested to investigate the matter further and to report at the next meeting.

There being no further business, the meeting on motion adjourned.

Oliver C. Wister
Secretary

A regular meeting of the Executive Council of THE PENNSYLVANIA HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY was held in the rooms of the Society, 1600 Arch Street, on the above date.

Those present were: Mrs. Edward M. Cheston, Mrs. William T. Elliott, Mr. Jay V. Hare, Mrs. Horatio Gates Lloyd, Mr. Henry F. Michell, Mrs. Thomas Newhall, Mrs. Arthur H. Scott, Mr. William J. Serrill, Mr. W. Hinckle Smith, Mr. C. F. C. Stout, Mr. John Williams and Mr. John C. Wister.

The Acting President, Mr. C. F. C. Stout, was in the Chair.

The Secretary reported that the following persons had notified him of their inability to be present: Mr. Louis Burk, Mr. W. Atlee Burpee, Jr., Mr. F. E. Dixon, Mr. George L. Farnum, Mr. Fairman R. Furness, Mr. John P. Habermehl, Mr. J. Franklin McFadden and Mr. S. S. Pennock.

The minutes of the regular meeting held on December 18th, 1929, were approved as published and distributed.

Twenty-four Annual Members were elected, and nineteen transferred from Annual to Life Membership.

The Secretary reported a total membership of 2011. Mr. Rust had made eleven garden visits during the past month; there had been eight meetings in the Council Room, 45 general visitors and 36 Library visitors.

The Secretary read extracts from the annual report which he had prepared in place of the President's Annual Report. It was approved and the Secretary instructed to publish it in the current Year Book.

The Chair announced that the Chairmen and members of the Standing Committees for 1930 had accepted their appointments as made at the last meeting with the addition of Mr. F. E. Dixon as Chairman of the Finance Committee.

Mrs. Cheston, as Chairman of the Special Committee appointed to consider a Memorial to Mr. Boyd, submitted the following report:

"The Resolution offered at the special meeting on December 2nd enumerated the many services Mr. Boyd rendered to the Society in the eleven years of his Presidency. In 1918, he became President of a Society that was all but dead. In 1929 his death left vacant the Presidency of an active Society, with a membership increased almost sixfold, whose influence and service are steadily increasing.

"In view of which facts the Committee feels that if the Council wishes to create a memorial it should be one that to be worthy of Mr. Boyd's services to the Society should:

"1. Be something with which he would have sympathized.

"2. Something which will further the uses of the Society - which is merely a second way of repeating the first statement.

"Mr. Stout calls attention to the fact that as Mr. Boyd's great interest was in increased membership and in endowments for special objects, a memorial should include these aspects. Two memorials have lately been raised by different societies to Mr. Farr and may serve as examples to us.

"The American Iris Society, with a membership of 1000 and total annual income of less than \$4000, raised \$1500 with which they established the Traveling Iris Society.

"The American Peony Society, with a membership of about 800 and total income of less than \$6000, established a medal. A similar medal was the Robert C. Wright Rose Medal, which Mr. Boyd himself felt was a suitable memorial to Mr. Wright, who had been for two years a director of this Society.

"The detailed suggestions made at the last Council Meeting were:

"A Tablet

"1. This the Committee feels inappropriate to be placed in rented office rooms, nor does it fulfill the above named conditions.

"A Medal to be given to Peonies.

"1. This distinctly fulfills the condition of something Mr. Boyd would have liked. A suitable die would cost possibly \$300; the definite condition of award could be worked out with the American Peony Society.

"2. Such a medal would promote pleasant relations between the Peony and our Society, would help the Peony Society, but would make practically no impression on our Society.

"3. It is more than probable that the Peony Society itself will take some such action, and it might be possible for us to unite with them.

"4. The Committee feels that a Peony Medal from this Society is too inadequate to be considered as a primary memorial.

"Cup or Vase.

"1. A suggestion also made at the Council was the establishment of a large silver cup or vase, a true work of art to be awarded each year to the winner of the Peony medal, to have the winners names inscribed on it each year, but never to be won outright - a medal to become the permanent property of the winner.

"2. The establishment of such a cup would carry more dignity and importance than the medal alone, but in the opinion of the Committee would lack the value to the Society and vitality that should be embodied in a memorial to Mr. Boyd.

"Scholarship."

"1. Another proposal is the establishment of a scholarship at the School of Horticulture. This would answer many of the requirements, would cost (\$ 800.00) a year, but would not particularly help the Society.

"A Garden."

"1. The third suggestion made at the Council Meeting and carefully considered by the Committee is the founding of a garden as a memorial which fulfills all the above mentioned conditions. While such a project has proven impossible in the past, the present situation is somewhat different.

"2. It is probable that Mr. Boyd's own small but extremely high-grade collection of plants would be available. With this as a nucleus, a small garden should be started, additions being made when available and only when of conspicuously high standard. The garden, which should be merely for exhibition and not architectural, should be placed in as public a situation as possible, a central place of Fairmount Park being the most desirable. Should this at the moment prove impossible there are four other locations which might prove available:

"a. A portion of the ground belonging to the School of Horticulture at Ambler. Mr. Boyd had considered such a connection between the School and the Society.

"b. A portion of the grounds of Haverford College. Mr. Boyd, who was a close friend of President Comfort, rented from the College the land for Movilla Gardens.

"c. Bartram's Garden -- which the Bartram Association is eager to make of use to the public.

"d. Swarthmore College -- where a large Arboretum and Exhibition Planting is to be undertaken.

"To all of these there are both objections and advantages. They are, however, all possibilities and in the opinion of the Committee a garden here established would fulfill the purpose of the memorial. The Committee recommends that such a garden should be established and maintained for a period of ten years and, if at that date it has not proved to be a sufficiently important project of the Society, that it be abolished; that a minimum of \$10,000 be raised for establishment and maintenance, additional plants being secured from time to time by gifts or appropriations from the Society.

"Summary.

"The Committee feels that if the Council wishes to undertake a fitting memorial to Mr. Boyd it should raise a minimum of \$10,000 - and that the suitable use of this sum might be either the beginning of a general endowment for the Society or the definite appropriation for the establishment and maintenance of a garden of high horticultural standard for ten years.

"The Committee asks a tangible endorsement from the Council and the authority to proceed with the above plans, and to bring in a detailed report at the February meeting of the Council."

After much discussion, upon motion of Mr. Serrill, it was voted,

THAT, The report be laid upon the table for consideration at the next Council meeting in order that more definite details may be gathered by the Committee and the members of the Council, be given an opportunity to think it over and make further suggestions and recommendations.

Mr. Serrill, Acting Chairman of the Committee appointed to recommend a successor to Mr. Boyd, reported that the Committee submitted the name of Mr. C. F. C. Stout. Upon motion of Mr. Smith, the report was accepted.

Upon request of Mr. Stout, Mr. Michell took the Chair.

The Chairman of the Nomination Committee, Mr. Williams, submitted the following ballot:

President

Mr. C. Frederick C. Stout

Honorary Vice President

Mr. Henry F. Michell

Vice-Presidents

Mrs. Horatio Gates Lloyd Mr. William J. Serrill

Treasurer

Mr. S. S. Pennock

Secretary

Mr. John C. Wister

Upon motion of Mr. Smith, duly seconded, the Secretary was instructed to cast a single ballot for the election of the above officers.

Mr. Stout on resuming the Chair thanked the Executive Council for the honor conferred upon him. He impressed upon them that the question of permanently filling the Chair should be kept a live issue, stating that his predecessor had been a man who had the time to devote to the duties of the office, and also had a wide knowledge of horticulture and a wide acquaintance in that field, which had made him an ideal president.

The Secretary read a letter from Mr. Fisher L. Boyd thanking the Council for the flowers sent by them at the time of his father's death. He also read a letter from Mrs. Hacker expressing her sympathy with the Society in the loss of Mr. Boyd.

Upon motion of Mrs. Newhall, it was,

RESOLVED, That The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society wishes its members to have the privilege of participating in the Garden Visiting Days of the School of Horticulture in 1930 the same as in 1929; with the provision that if a larger number of members takes advantage of the privilege this year than last, the amount paid by the Society will increase correspondingly.

Mrs. Elliott reported that the preliminary plans for the formation of a Pennsylvania State Federation of Garden Clubs were progressing and that an important meeting had been held in the rooms of the Society on January 13th at which seventeen garden and other horticultural organizations had been represented.

There being no further business, the meeting on motion adjourned.

John C. Wister
Secretary.

February 19, 1930.

A regular meeting of the Executive Council of THE PENNSYLVANIA HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY was held in the rooms of the Society, 1600 Arch Street, on the above date.

Those present were: Mr. W. Atlee Burpee, Jr., Mrs. Edward M. Cheston, Mr. Fairman R. Furness, Mr. John P. Habermehl, Mr. J. Franklin McFadden, Mr. S. S. Pennock, Mr. William J. Serrill, Mr. W. Hinckle Smith, Mr. C. F. C. Stout, and Mr. John Williams.

The President, Mr. C. F. C. Stout, was in the Chair.

The following persons had notified the Secretary of their inability to be present: Mr. Louis Burk, Mr. F. E. Dixon, Mrs. William T. Elliott, Mr. George L. Farnum, Mr. Jay V. Hare, Mrs. Horatio Gates Lloyd, Mr. Henry F. Michell, Mrs. Thomas Newhall, Mrs. Arthur H. Scott, and Mr. John C. Wister.

The minutes of the regular meeting held on January 15th, 1930, were approved as published and distributed.

Sixty-two persons were elected to membership; sixty as Annual Members and two as Life Members.

The secretary of the meeting made the following report for January, 1930: Mr. Rust made five visits and gave two gardening talks; there were 86 general visitors and 61 Library visitors; ten meetings were held in the Council Room, total membership, 2,030.

The President mentioned that there is still a vacancy to be filled in the Council, and asked the members to be thinking of the matter so that nominations may be made at an early meeting.

Mrs. Cheston, Chairman of the James Boyd Memorial Committee, reported that the Committee had not met since the previous Council meeting; but that in line with the idea of establishing a garden in Fairmount Park, with Mr. Boyd's collection of plants as a nucleus, she had interviewed Mrs. A. F. M. Chandler, Mr. Boyd's daughter, and the Junior League, in charge of Sweetbriar Mansion. As a result, she is of the opinion that the Junior League, if properly approached, would allow the Society to plant and maintain the two terraces (25' X 80' each) back of the house. She also said that Mrs. Chandler thought that Mr. Boyd's family would be willing to have his collection of plants used in this way. Mrs. Cheston had merely made inquiries as she had not been authorized to formulate definite plans. She submitted the following suggestions, however. First, that the plants could not be moved until Fall and that through the Summer the only expense would be for an Italian laborer one day a week under the supervision of Mr. Rust. Second, that the principal expense would be for moving the plants from Haverford to Fairmount Park next Fall, and that in the new location the cost of caring for them would be not much greater than where they are at present. Mrs. Cheston also mentioned the desirability of association with the proposed Arboretum at Swarthmore, and thought it might be possible at some future time to establish a test garden there and still continue the small display garden in the Park if it had proved of value. Mrs. Cheston stated that a letter had been received from Mr. Farnum, strongly favoring the establishment of a display garden, featuring peonies, in connection with the Arboretum at Swarthmore, and a telegram and letter from Mr. Wister were read in which he stated that he hoped the Memorial

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would be large enough to be in keeping with Mr. Boyd's services and that he preferred the idea of a garden. The establishment of a scholarship at the School of Horticulture was mentioned, and it was stated that the cost would be approximately \$250.00 per year for tuition and \$550.00 for Board. Mrs. Cheston's recommendation was that a James Boyd Memorial Fund should be raised and that after it was ascertained how much money would be available, the type of Memorial could be decided upon.

A general discussion followed, and, after hearing the various expressions of opinion, Mr. Stout said he thought they could be summarized as follows: 1. Does the Society wish to put itself in a position of begging money? 2. Can we do this thing with any degree of credit to the Society with the amount of money it may be possible to get? Several of the Council felt that some definite Memorial should be established at this time, even though additional recognition of Mr. Boyd should be undertaken later, and upon motion of Mr. Serril, it was voted,

That the Council express its opinion in favor of a tablet to go on the walls, and the President be authorized to appoint a Committee to consider the necessary details and to report back to the Council at the next meeting.

It was decided that the Council should give further consideration to the matter of a Memorial Garden before taking any action. The report of the Committee was therefore laid upon the table but the President requested that the Committee be kept alive.

The Finance Committee submitted the Budget for 1930 as follows:

ESTIMATED INCOME..... \$32,081.81

ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES:

Executive Committee	\$16,680.00
Lecture Committee	750.00
Exhibition Committee	4,250.00
Library Committee	850.00
Special Appropriations:	
Garden	500.00
Horticulture	1,650.00
Brown Canker Fund	100.00
Interest	180.00
Half payment on History	3,018.27
Extras	1,500.00
Depreciation	1,195.00

TOTAL	\$30,673.27
UNAPPROPRIATED	1,408.54
	<u>\$32,081.81</u>

In regard to the item of \$3,018.27 in the Budget, marked "Half payment on History", the Treasurer made the following explanation: An appropriation not to exceed \$5,000 was authorized by the Council in November, 1928, to defray the expenses of the publication of a History of the Society. The contract for publishing the volume was awarded to Edward Stern & Co. in the summer of 1929 at a figure considerably under the appropriation. However, changes were made in the text after the

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estimate had been furnished and the size of the book enlarged so that the actual bill from the publishers (cash discount of 2% deducted) was \$5,390. In addition expenses amounting to \$1,180.53 had been incurred for clerical assistance in compiling the data, printing pre-publication notices, stationery, etc., bringing the cost of the History, as of the first of this year, to \$6,560.53. Against this, the amount of \$524.00 representing checks for subscriptions to the book received before January 1, 1930, has been applied, leaving a balance of \$6,036.53. Half of this amount or \$3,018.27 appears in the Budget for this year as the Finance Committee decided that the best way to handle the cost would be to charge half of it to the income for the present year and the remaining half to income in 1931. The bills are being paid as presented and a loan will be arranged later in the year by the Finance Committee, if necessary, in order to provide the \$3,018.27 which will be charged to income next year.

Upon motion of Mr. Furness, the Budget was approved. In this connection the following resolution was adopted:

RESOLVED, That the Finance Committee be authorized, as in previous years, to transfer from one Committee to another any unused funds, providing that they do not exceed the total amount of the Budget.

A letter from Mrs. Harriet Boyd Hawes, Mr. James Boyd's sister, was read, in which she graciously thanked the Society for a complimentary copy of the History.

A letter from Mrs. Bayard Henry, President of the John Bartram Association, was read, requesting the Society to join with the Academy of Natural Sciences and the American Philosophical Society in co-operating with the Bartram Association in celebrating the Two Hundredth Celebration of the establishment of the John Bartram Garden. It was voted that the Society should co-operate, and the President was authorized to appoint two delegates to represent the Society at preliminary meetings, etc.

A letter from the Art Alliance was read requesting the Society to co-operate in the biennial exhibition of Sculpture-in-the-Open-Air - this co-operation to take the form of a Gold Medal and a Guarantee of \$500.00. After considering the matter, the President was requested to notify the Art Alliance that the Society regretted that its Budget for the year would not permit its participation in a program that is not primarily horticultural.

Announcement was made of the International Horticultural Congress which will be held in London this summer, and upon learning that Mr. George L. Farnum was available as a delegate, the President appointed him as the official representative of the Society.

The question of a membership drive was discussed, and a letter from Mr. Wister to the President was read, in which he stated that he hoped the Council would approve the project. The President reported that two persons, Miss N. E. Smith and Mr. W. Gilbert Condit, had called to see Mr. Wister about conducting a drive for the Society which would cost between \$2,000 and \$5,000 and which, they felt confident, but could not guarantee, would result in the securing of about 5,000 new members; and that Mr. Wister had been impressed by their proposition. The President added that

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he also expected to interview these people, but in the meantime wished to know what the reaction of the Council was to the idea. After some discussion, the members agreed that a drive by mail, conducted from the offices of the Society, with a small Committee in charge, was very desirable and should be undertaken; but that they were not in favor of a professional drive.

The President announced that owing to the Garden Club of America luncheon in New York on March 19th, none of the women members of the Council would be able to attend the regular meeting called for that day. It was therefore voted,

That the next Council meeting shall be held on Thursday, March 20th, instead of Wednesday, March 19th.

The President announced that the organization meeting of the "Federated Garden Clubs of Pennsylvania" will be held under the auspices of the Society in this building, on March 26th, and stated that he would like to appoint two delegates to represent the Society on this occasion. He was accorded the necessary authority.

Upon request from the Chairman of the Philadelphia Flower Show Committee the President was authorized to sign invitations sent out in the name of the Society to guests specially invited to attend the Philadelphia Flower Show.

There being no further business, the meeting on motion adjourned.

Fannie A. Root

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Secretary of the Meeting.

C. FRED'K C. STOUT

President.

March 20, 1930.

A regular meeting of the Executive Council of THE PENNSYLVANIA HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY was held in the rooms of the Society, 1600 Arch Street, on the above date.

Those present were: Mr. W. Atlee Burpee, Jr., Mrs. Edward M. Cheston, Mrs. William T. Elliott, Mr. George L. Farnum, Mr. Fairman R. Furness, Mr. John P. Habermehl, Mr. Jay V. Hare, Mr. Henry F. Michell, Mrs. Thomas Newhall, Mr. S. S. Pennock and Mr. John Williams, and Mrs. Arthur H. Scott.

In the absence of the President, Mr. Henry F. Michell, Honorary Vice-President, was in the Chair.

The following persons had notified the Secretary of their inability to be present: Mr. Louis Burk, Mr. William J. Serrill, Mr. W. Hinckle Smith, Mr. C. F. C. Stout and Mr. John C. Wister.

The Minutes of the regular meeting held on February 19, 1930, were approved as published and distributed.

Fifty-one persons were elected to membership; forty-eight as Annual Members and three as Life Members.

The secretary of the meeting made the following report for February: Mr. Rust made five visits to the gardens of members; there were fourteen meetings in the Council Room, 135 General Visitors and eighty-five visitors to the Library. The increase in number of visitors was due to the fact that two lectures were given in February. At the lecture on February 4th, by Mrs. Charles H. Stout, on "Rock Gardens," the attendance was 377, and at the lecture on February 18th, by Mr. W. E. Marshall, on "Lilies," the attendance was 250. The total membership of the Society as of March 1st was 2075.

A report by the Chairman of the Membership Committee, Mrs. George L. Harrison, was submitted, a resume of which is as follows:

The Committee (composed of Mrs. Harrison and Mrs. Elliott) held a meeting on March 11th, at which it was arranged to have a Membership Drive by mail conducted from the office. Invitations will be sent to a list of 4,000 specially selected persons. 2,290 of these are listed in the office as members of Garden Clubs or other horticultural organizations, and the remaining 1,710 are to be secured from the Social Register which has not been canvassed systematically heretofore. In order to ascertain whether personal letters or engraved invitations are more effective, invitations will be sent to one half the list (A to K inclusive) and personalized letters to the other half (L to Z inclusive). A circular of the Society, applications blank and return envelope will be enclosed in each case. In addition to the work actually undertaken, Mrs. Elliott recommended that the Executive Council consider at some time the desirability of offering a special membership to nurseries, seedsmen, etc., and also a special membership to Garden Clubs at a distance from Philadelphia - not only in Pennsylvania but in New Jersey and Delaware as well.

The report was approved and accepted.

The Chairman of the Exhibition Committee, Mr. W. Atlee Burpee, Jr.,

stated that the Philadelphia Flower Show, Inc., had very generously supplied the Secretary with two tickets to the Show for each of our members, but that there was some doubt as to whether they would allot more than one ticket next year. The general opinion was that with the low dues of \$3, one ticket to each member was sufficient. Upon motion of Mrs. Elliott, it was voted:

That The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society thank the Philadelphia Flower Show, Inc., for their generous allotment of two tickets to each member for the Philadelphia Flower Show.

The Chairman reported that the Special Exhibition Committee after going into the matter thoroughly and trying to arrange an exhibit for the Society at very little or no cost, had decided that the plan was not practical and had finally requested Hengel Brothers, who executed our exhibit two years ago, to stage another old-fashioned garden along similar lines - at a cost not to exceed \$800. Mr. Burpee stated that the Exhibition Committee had been allotted the sum of \$1,500 in the Budget for the Philadelphia Flower Show, but that at least \$700 of this would be needed for prizes and staging in the Classes which the Society sponsored; and that \$800 would be the maximum which could be devoted to the Society's exhibit.

It was announced that plans for the luncheon at the Bellevue-Stratford to which special guests had been invited, were going forward, but that so far only 24 guests had accepted and that about half of this number were Council members. It was decided that additional guests should be invited and the names of twenty persons were suggested to whom invitations should be sent at once. Mayor Mackey was the only politically prominent person who had accepted the invitation.

Mrs. Edward M. Cheston reported on the proposed "Garden Club Federation of Pennsylvania." She said that plans had been completed for the March 26th meeting and that it was estimated that at least thirty Garden Clubs would be represented. She recommended that this Society join the Federation as an Active Member, with dues of \$50 per year. The Annual Dues will range from \$5 for Clubs of 100 or fewer members to \$50 for organizations of over a thousand - of which latter class this Society will be the only member, for the present at least. Mrs. Cheston considered that Active Membership would be of mutual benefit to the Society and to the Federation.

Mrs. Cheston's report was accepted.

The Chairman reminded the members that there is still a vacancy to be filled in the Council and although no election would take place at this meeting, he asked the members to keep the persons who had been proposed in mind and to think of new names. After several nominations had been considered, it was decided that it might be best to consider a member of the Park Commission for the vacancy and the list of its members was read as follows: Messrs. E. T. Stotesbury, Joseph Widener, Robert Glendinning, Eli Kirk Price, Morris R. Bockius, Frank L. Kenworthy, Dr. Richard A. F. Penrose, Jr., William Findlay Brown and Emory McMichael.

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A letter from Mrs. Moses Lyman, President of the Springfield, Massachusetts, Garden Club, was read in which she stated that the Massachusetts Horticultural Society had recognized officially the work of her brother the late Dr. Walter Van Fleet, and as he was a native of Pennsylvania she hoped that this Society would do likewise. Upon motion of Mr. Burpee, it was voted that the Silver Medal of the Society be sent to Mrs. Lyman - "In honor of the life work done by Dr. Walter Van Fleet in propagating and introducing new Roses."

The Chairman announced that Stern & Company, publishers of our History, wish to know whether we expect to have more copies published or whether the edition is to be limited to 1,000 copies and they may break up the type. It was voted that the first edition will satisfy our requirements and that the publishers shall be given the necessary authority to destroy the type.

There being no further business, the meeting on motion adjourned.

Fannie A. Root

Secretary of the meeting.

Honorary Vice-President.

April 16, 1930.

A regular meeting of the Executive Council of THE PENNSYLVANIA HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY was held in the rooms of the Society, 1600 Arch Street, on the above date.

Those present were: Mr. W. Atlee Burpee, Jr., Mrs. William T. Elliott, Mr. George L. Farnum, Mrs. Horatio Gates Lloyd, Mr. J. Franklin McFadden, Mr. S. S. Pennock, Mr. William J. Serrill, Mr. W. Hinckle Smith, Mr. C. F. C. Stout, Mr. John Williams and Mr. John C. Wister.

The following persons had notified the Secretary of their inability to be present: Mr. Louis Burk, Mrs. Edward M. Cheston, Mr. Fairman R. Furness, Mr. Jay V. Hare, Mr. Henry F. Michell, Mrs. Thomas Newhall and Mrs. Arthur H. Scott.

The Minutes of the regular meeting held on March 20, 1930, were approved as published and distributed.

214 persons were elected to membership - 205 Annual Members and 9 Life Members. This is the largest number of persons ever elected to the Society at one meeting.

The Secretary made the following report for March: Mr. Rust made ten visits to the gardens of members and delivered a lecture on Flowers and Vegetables before the Soleburg Farmers' Club at New Hope, Pa. There were ten meetings in the Council Room, 100 general visitors and 61 visitors to the Library. Forty-seven members were secured at the Philadelphia Flower Show and, so far, 122 members (115 Annual and 7 Life) have been secured from the Membership Drive. The total membership of the Society as of April 1 was 2,107.

In connection with the report of the Membership Committee which was submitted at the March meeting, the President stated that he would like to have the recommendations of that Committee in regard to types of group and club membership which had been suggested but not defined in the report.

The Secretary announced that a list of eight Garden Days in May and June have been arranged by the School of Horticulture for Women, Ambler, Pa., and that the program will be ready for distribution in a few days. The list includes 38 gardens - those that received the Society's medal last year are marked with an asterisk on the program. In addition to gardens in suburban Philadelphia, a "Day" has been arranged to visit Wilmington gardens by the Garden Club of Wilmington, and one at Princeton through the courtesy of the Garden Club of Princeton. The members of the Society have the privilege of visiting all the gardens listed upon presentation of their Membership Cards.

The President called attention to the system used in signing checks issued by the Society, and in order to provide for checks being signed in the absence of the Treasurer, the following Resolution, upon motion of Mr. McFadden, was adopted:

RESOLVED, That hereafter instead of having checks issued by the Society signed by the Treasurer and countersigned by the President, one signature only will be necessary. The treasurer is hereby authorized to sign all checks, and in his absence, authority is hereby granted to the President, or, in his absence, to one of the two Vice-Presidents to sign checks.

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The President stated that the Treasurer had received a letter from the Chamber of Commerce inviting this Society to join that organization - Annual Dues \$50. It was decided that it was contrary to the policy of the Society to become affiliated with organizations whose object is not of a horticultural nature, and the Secretary was instructed to decline the invitation.

The President referred to a letter from the Council for the Preservation of Natural Beauty in Pennsylvania, asking this Society to co-operate in its effort to protect Dogwood and other Wild Flowers, and in its publicity program. Mrs. Elliott, Chairman of the Council, stated that it would not be necessary for the Society to take any official action in the matter.

It was reported that Mrs. Charles F. Derby who has represented the Society in the movement sponsored by the Art Alliance of "Flowers for the Flowerless" in former years, has expressed her willingness to again serve on the Committee, and her offer was accepted with thanks. In this connection, the Secretary was instructed to call Mrs. Derby's attention to those Wild Flowers which this Society and kindred organizations are endeavoring to protect.

Mr. Burpee, Chairman of the Exhibition Committee, reported that \$2,020.25 had been spent upon the Philadelphia Flower Show. He stated that \$1,500.00 had been appropriated in the Budget for this purpose but that after the Budget was approved, it was decided to stage an exhibit of an old-fashioned garden. This cost \$800.00 and was responsible for the difference of \$520.25 between the amount appropriated for the Show and the amount actually spent. He added that the Committee hopes to make up this amount by curtailing expenses at other Shows this year. Mr. Burpee reported that the 1930 Philadelphia Flower Show was the most successful from the standpoint of box office receipts, as well as the most beautiful, of any yet undertaken. Accurate figures are not available at this time, but the attendance is estimated to have been between seventy-five and ninety thousand. The Chairman further stated that a small Rose Show will be held on the sixth floor of this building on June 10th and 11th; the Dahlia Show will be held in conjunction with the Bryn Mawr Horse Show in Bryn Mawr, on September 26 and 27; and the Hardy Chrysanthemum Show will be held on the sixth floor here at 1600 Arch Street, on November 5 and 6.

In connection with the Philadelphia Flower Show, upon motion of Mrs. Lloyd, it was:

RESOLVED, That the President appoint a small Committee to meet with the Philadelphia Flower Show Committee to determine the status of this Society in the Philadelphia Flower Show.

Mr. McFadden, as Chairman of the Southeastern Pennsylvania Chapter, reported that the American Red Cross had been given the privilege of distributing to hospitals, etc., many of the flowers and plants at the conclusion of the Philadelphia Flower Show this year, and stated that plans are being formulated for the Red Cross to ask for the privilege again next year. He stated that the Red Cross would like to know some time in advance so that the most efficient plans of distribution can be worked out and said that although no action by this Society is asked for at the present time, later on the Red Cross will formally ask this Society to present the request to the Flower Show Committee.

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Mr. Pennock reported that Mr. Rust had called his attention to the fact that the heat and dryness of the room in which the exhibition equipment is stored are detrimental to the furniture. The President requested the Secretary to investigate the situation and ascertain what can be done about it.

Mr. Serrill, Chairman of the James Boyd Memorial Committee, reported the following recommendations:

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| 1. A tablet to be placed upon the walls of the Council Room,
E.H.Fetterolf, Architect, Estimated cost | \$225.00 |
| 2. A medal -
Jennings Hood, Medallie Art Co. Estimated cost | 350.00 |
| 3. A silver-cup -
Jennings Hood, Medallie Art Co. Estimated cost | <u>175.00</u> |
| Total 750.00 | |

Mr. Serrill explained that these estimates were based on outside figures and that the actual amounts would probably be somewhat smaller. He suggested an inscription for the tablet which he had worded, and submitted sample of lettering furnished by Mr. Fetterolf. Upon motion of Mr. Smith, it was:

RESOLVED, That Mr. Serrill shall proceed with plans for the tablet, cup and medal, at a cost not to exceed \$700.; and that he shall submit final recommendations as to design, wording and lettering to the Council at its next meeting.

In connection with the vacancy on the Council, the President stated that he had asked Mr. Morris R. Bockius, a member of the Park Commission if he would be willing to serve and that he had consented. Mr. Bockius was elected unanimously.

Mrs. Lloyd reported that she, with two other representatives of the Society, had attended the meeting of the Bartram Celebration Committee on April 14th, and that plans had been discussed for the celebration of the two hundredth anniversary of the establishment of the John Bartram Garden, in June 1931. The co-operating organizations have not been asked to contribute money at this time, but it is thought that this Society will be asked for a contribution next year. Mr. L. H. Bailey, of Cornell University, will be asked to make the chief address, and invitations to attend the celebration will be sent to horticulturists all over the world,

A vote of thanks was extended to Mr. Pennock and Mr. Habermehl for the beautiful flowers that were used as decorations at the luncheon at the Bellevue-Stratford, on March 25th, and for their arrangement.

There being no further business, the meeting, on motion, adjourned.

John C. Wister
Secretary.

May 21, 1930.

A regular meeting of the Executive Council of THE PENNSYLVANIA HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY was held in the rooms of the Society, 1600 Arch Street, on the above date.

Those present were: Mr. W. Atlee Burpee, Jr., Mrs. Edward M. Cheston, Mrs. William T. Elliott, Mr. George L. Farnum, Mr. John P. Habermehl, Mrs. Horatio Gates Lloyd, Mr. Henry F. Michell, Mr. S. S. Pennock, Mrs. Arthur H. Scott, Mr. William J. Serrill and Mr. W. Hinckle Smith.

In the absence of the President, the Vice-President, Mr. Serrill, was in the Chair.

The following persons had notified the Secretary of their inability to be present: Mr. Burk, Mr. Dixon, M r. Furness, Mr. Hare, Mr. Stout, Mr. Williams and Mr. Wister.

The Minutes of the regular meeting held on April 16, 1930, were approved as published and distributed.

278 persons were elected to membership - 276 as Annual Members and 2 to Life Membership.

The secretary of the meeting made the following report for April: Mr. Rust made 16 visits to the garden of members; there were 8 meetings in the Council Room; 55 general visitors and 51 visitors to the Library. The total membership of the Society as of May 1 was 2423.

The secretary^{of the meeting}/read letters from the National Association of Gardeners, requesting this Society to co-operate in the National Plant Registration movement which it is sponsoring, by naming a representative to the Committee and making a financial contribution toward the expenses entailed during the first year. The project was discussed and it was decided that before giving a definite reply, it would be best to find out if national registration has the approval of the single flower societies which at present conduct their own registration, and also learn if the Massachusetts and New York Societies are giving the plan their active support. The Secretary was therefore instructed to advise the Association that although the Society is in favor of plant registration, it is not prepared at this time to make a definite answer in regard to National Plant Registration but would like to hold the matter under consideration.

The Chairman called attention to a request from Mrs. Bayard Henry, President of the John Bartram Association, asking for a contribution of \$500 in 1931. The Chairman reported that \$500 contributions toward the work of the Association had been given in 1925, '26, '27 and '29, making a total of \$2,000. Upon motion of Mrs. Lloyd, it was:

RESOLVED, That The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society make a contribution of \$500 to the John Bartram Association in 1931, to be used for the adornment of Bartram's Garden; and also that \$100 be contributed when needed to help defray the expenses incidental to the proposed celebration of the two hundredth anniversary of the Bartram House and Garden in June 1931.

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A letter was read from Col. Samuel Price Wetherill, secretary pro tem. of the Allied Committee on Co-operative Development of an Allied Arts and Civic Centre for Philadelphia, asking the co-operation of this Society in the study of plans. The Chairman spoke briefly about the proposed Centre and Mrs. Elliott, a member of the Executive Committee, presented additional data on the subject. The Secretary was instructed to notify the Committee that this Society is in sympathy with the project and may be a prospective tenant if it becomes a reality.

The Chairman announced that the silver medal awarded in honor of Dr. Walter Van Fleet's work in propagating roses had been sent to Mrs. Moses Lyman, Dr. Van Fleet's sister, and a note of thanks from Mrs. Lyman was read.

In regard to the proposed James Boyd Memorials, Mr. Serrill, Chairman of the Committee, submitted a sketch designed by Mr. Edwin H. Fetterolf, Architect, for the tablet. The sketch was approved and Mr. Serrill was authorized to place the order with Mr. Fetterolf. As to the medal and cup, a special design for the medal had been received from Mr. Jennings Hood, who had also furnished illustrated catalogues of standard silver cups. These were inspected by the Council, and Mr. Serrill was empowered to appoint Mrs. Elliott and Mrs. Lloyd to help him select final designs. The desirability of awarding the medal and cup for the first time in 1930 was brought up, and in this connection Mrs. Lloyd reported that Mrs. Chandler had told her that she was very anxious that this year should not pass without her father's memory being honored and had in mind offering a cup to be awarded for Peonies at the Society's Spring Exhibition. Upon being informed that the Society intends to establish a similar memorial, Mrs. Chandler did not go ahead with the plan; but Mrs. Lloyd and the other members of the Council felt that this was an added argument why the medal and cup should be awarded this year. After discussion as to the Exhibition at which the medal and cup should be awarded, it was, upon motion of Mrs. Cheston:

RESOLVED, That a James Boyd Memorial Gold Medal be established by The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society, to be offered each year as a prize at the National Show of the American Peony Society. Also, that a Silver Cup or Vase be established to be awarded annually to the winner of the above medal, to have the winner's name inscribed on it each year but never to be given outright. The medal will become the permanent property of the winner.

Mr. Serrill was requested to take up the matter with the American Peony Society at once in an effort to have the awards made this summer at the National Show in Duluth.

Mr. Burpee brought up the question of awarding the Society's silver medal and bronze medal at the annual exhibition of the American Dahlia Society, and upon motion of Mr. Michell, it was:

RESOLVED, That The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society present its silver medal and its bronze medal to be awarded by The American Dahlia Society in such classes as it deems proper, at its Sixteenth Annual Show, to be held in New York City, in September 1930.

The Society's relations with the Philadelphia Flower Show were discussed and it was decided that the Society should co-operate in furthering the interests of that organization. In this connection, upon motion of Mrs. Lloyd, it was:

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RESOLVED, That The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society express its desire to co-operate with the Philadelphia Flower Show, and ask the Philadelphia Flower Show to reserve for this Society the same space for the 1931 Show as it had this year.

The being no further business, the meeting, on motion, adjourned.


Vice-President.

Fannie A. Root
Secretary of the Meeting.

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A regular meeting of the Executive Council of THE PENNSYLVANIA HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY was held in the rooms of the Society, 1600 Arch Street, on the above date.

Those present were: Mr. Morris R. Bockius, Mr. Louis Burk, Mr. W. Atlee Burpee, Jr., Mr. Jay V. Hare, Mrs. Horatio Gates Lloyd, Mrs. Arthur H. Scott, Mr. William J. Serrill, Mr. W. Hinckle Smith, Mr. C. F. C. Stout, Mr. John Williams and Mr. John C. Wister.

The President was in the Chair.

The following members had notified the Secretary of their inability to be present: Mrs. Cheston, Mr. Dixon, Mr. Habermehl, Mr. McFadden, Mr. Michell, Mrs. Newhall and Mr. Pennock.

The new member of the Council, Mr. Morris R. Bockius, was welcomed by the Chair.

The Minutes of the meeting on May 21st, the last meeting before the summer recess, were approved as published and distributed.

102 persons were elected to membership - 101 as Annual Members and one to Life Membership.

The Secretary made a report of the activities during the summer as follows: 165 persons attended the Rose Show, which was held on the sixth floor of this building on June 10th and 11th. There were ten meetings held in the rooms of the Society during the summer months, 150 general visitors to the rooms and 149 visitors to the Library. Mr. Rust made twenty-nine visits to gardens of members, gave two lectures and judged at nine Flower Shows. The total membership of the Society as of September 1st was 2664.

The President announced that the election of Council members to serve during the years 1931, '32 and '33, would be held on November 19th, and that the Nominating Committee this year is composed of Mrs. Cheston, Mrs. Newhall, Mrs. Scott, Mr. Burk, Mr. Habermehl, Mr. Hare and Mr. Michell (the members of the Council whose term expires at the end of 1931). Plans for presenting a lecture on November 19th, possibly followed by tea as in the case of Mr. Cox's lecture last year, were discussed in connection with the Annual Meeting. The Secretary stated that it was probable that Mr. Carl Purdy, of California, well-known grower of bulbs and introducer of new plants, would be available as a lecturer on that day, and it was voted to recommend to the Chairman of the Lecture Committee, Mrs. William T. Elliott, that Mr. Purdy be asked to present a lecture as a special feature at the Annual Meeting.

The President mentioned the need of a change in the By-Laws (Article XI, Section I) regarding time of payment of annual dues. A discussion of possible methods of improving the present system followed, and Mr. Bockius, at the President's request, framed a paragraph designed to remedy the situation, as suggested at the present meeting. The President stated that the matter will be considered more fully and voted upon at a future meeting.

The Secretary read a letter from the Garden Club Federation of Pennsylvania, requesting a contribution of \$30 which each member Club is asked to make

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in order to cover unusual expenses incurred its first year. Upon motion of Mrs. Lloyd, it was VOTED

That the Society shall contribute \$30 to help defray the initial expenses of the Garden Club Federation of Pennsylvania.

Mr. Serrill, Chairman of the James Boyd Memorial Committee, called attention of the Council to the Memorial Tablet, designed by Mr. Edwin H. Fetterolf, Architect, which had lately been placed on the walls of the Council Room. The tablet presents a plain surface of a composition metal which will not tarnish, upon which its dedication to Mr. Boyd is inscribed in beautiful lettering of red and black. Mr. Serrill reported that the sculptor, Mr. John Sinnock, had submitted a plaster model, showing the obverse and reverse of the die for the Memorial Medal which could be inspected after the Council meeting, and which had been approved by Mr. Boyd's family. The medal was awarded for the first time to Mr. A. B. Franklin, of Minneapolis, for the most distinguished entry at the Annual Exhibition of the American Peony Society in Duluth on July 2nd and 3rd, and will be forwarded to Mr. Franklin immediately upon completion.

National Plant Registration, the movement fostered by the National Association of Gardeners, was discussed and the Secretary reported that other organizations with which he had corresponded about this project were divided in their opinions about its usefulness. It was decided that the Society should not take an active part in the movement at this time.

The Secretary stated that a letter had been received asking the Society's financial assistance in paying expenses in connection with having the Plant Patent Law enacted last spring. It was decided that this was a matter to be dealt with by commercial organizations and that this Society could not give anything toward it.

The Secretary reported that \$500 had been paid to the School of Horticulture for the Society's participation in the School's Garden Days. There were eight Saturday afternoons in May and June devoted to these visits and thirty-eight gardens were opened. The number of tickets offered by the Society's members for admission during the eight days was 2829, which is three times as many as last year. A letter had been received from Miss Emma Blakiston, Chairman of the School's Committee, thanking the Society for its contribution.

The Secretary mentioned a letter from Mrs. Bayard Henry, thanking the Society for its gift of \$100 to help defray the preliminary expenses incurred by the John Bartram Association in connection with the Bartram celebration which will be observed next June.

Mr. Burpee, Chairman of the Exhibition Committee, spoke of the Dahlia Show, which will be held again this year in conjunction with the Bryn Mawr Horse Show, in Bryn Mawr, on September 26th and 27th, and said that from present indications it should be a good exhibition. He regretted that the Rose Show in June had not been a success and expressed the opinion that it would be impossible to hold a good show in this building. The number of exhibits had been small and also the attendance, and he and the other members of the Council agreed that it would be better not to hold a Spring Exhibition than one that did not reflect credit upon the Society. It was decided to try hard to improve the Show next year, and if possible to secure a more advantageous exhibition place.

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The President stated that he had felt for some time that the scope of Mr. Rust's department could be widened advantageously, and asked the Council members to consider this matter and be prepared to discuss it at some future meeting. The question was brought up as to whether the members of the Society with small gardens were taking advantage of Mr. Rust's services as much as they might, and it was decided that in future the fact should be emphasized that Mr. Rust's services were at the disposal of members with small gardens equally as much as of those with large gardens, and that the only charge is for Mr. Rust's traveling expenses.

The President spoke of the Philadelphia Flower Show, and the Secretary reported that the Special Committee of the Society had met with a Committee of the Flower Show in the early summer and that the meeting had been very pleasant. It was pointed out that the decision about having a garden at the Show should not be left until next year and that plans for the Society's participation in the 1931 Flower Show should be gotten under way this fall.

There being no other business, the meeting on motion, adjourned.

John C. Wister
Secretary.

October 15, 1930.

A regular meeting of the Executive Council of THE PENNSYLVANIA HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY was held in the rooms of the Society, 1600 Arch Street, on the above date. Those present were: Mr. Morris R. Bockius, Mr. W. Atlee Burpee, Jr., Mrs. William T. Elliott, Mr. Fairman R. Furness, Mr. John P. Habermehl, Mr. Henry F. Michell, Mr. S. S. Pennock, Mr. William J. Serrill, Mr. W. Hinckle Smith, Mr. C. F. C. Stout and Mr. John Williams.

The President was in the Chair.

The following members had notified the Secretary of their inability to be present: Mr. Louis Burk, Mr. F. E. Dixon, Mr. George L. Farnum, Mrs. Thomas Newhall, Mrs. Arthur H. Scott and Mr. John C. Wister.

The Minutes of the meeting on September 17th were approved as published and distributed.

Seventy-two persons were elected members - one Life Member and seventy-one Annual Members.

In the absence of the Secretary, his report was read as follows: Six meetings were held in the Council Room during the past month, twenty-seven persons visited the Library and there were forty general visitors. Mr. Rust made five visits to gardens of members and judged at nine flower shows. The total membership of the Society as of September 30th was 2741. In connection with securing new members, 500 letters were sent to florists during the summer inviting them to become members and five of them have since joined as Annual Members. Also, 1,000 letters were sent to a list compiled from the Social Register, resulting in fifty-four new Annual Members and one new Life Member.

The President announced that the proposed change in By-Laws in connection with the time of payment of Annual Dues would not be considered further until the Executive Committee has a recommendation to submit.

The Nominating Committee made the following report:

"The Nominating Committee has selected the following candidates to serve on the Executive Council:

"For term ending December 31, 1932 - (unexpired term of Mr. Boyd)
Mr. Morris R. Bockius,

"For term ending December 31, 1933,
Mrs. William T. Elliott,
Mr. Fitz Eugene Dixon,
Mr. George L. Farnum,
Mr. Fairman R. Furness,
Mr. S. S. Pennock,
Mr. William J. Serrill,
Mr. C. Frederick C. Stout.

"The names of all the nominees were filed with the Secretary before October 1st, and will be published in the October 15th issue of HORTICULTURE. If no additional names are submitted by fifteen or more members of the Society, in writing, to the Secretary by November 1st, the above-named persons will be elected, by motion, at the next meeting of the Executive Council on November 19th, in accordance with Article VIII of the By-Laws.

"Respectfully submitted,

"Emily R. Cheston, Chairman."

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The President announced that the Annual Meeting would be held at 3 P. M., on Wednesday, November 19th, immediately after the Council Meeting, which will be held at 2:30. A lecture, which will be delivered by Mr. Carl Purdy, of Ukiah, California, has been arranged as a special feature in connection with the Annual Meeting. The Chairman of the Lecture Committee, Mrs. William T. Elliott, explained that Mr. Purdy, the eminent botanist and specialist in Lilies, Calochortus, Erythroniums and other California Wildflowers, will speak on "California Wildflowers and their Introduction into Gardens."

Mr. William J. Serrill, Chairman of the Garden Committee, made the following report:

"The Garden Committee begs to submit the following report for the season of 1930:

"The Committee has paid visits of inspection this year to fifteen gardens, as follows:

"April 15, Mr. and Mrs. J. Franklin McFadden, Rosemont.

"June 2, Mrs. Henry S. Jeanes, Devon,
Mrs. Frank T. Griswold, Radnor,
Mrs. Barclay McFadden, Rosemont,
Mr. W. Hinckle Smith, Bryn Mawr,
Mr. and Mrs. Edward H. LeBoutillier, Haverford,
Mr. and Mrs. Thomas W. Sears, Ardmore,
Mr. and Mrs. Stacy B. Lloyd, Ardmore.

"June 20, Mrs. Arthur H. Scott, Media,
Mr. and Mrs. W. Pope Barney, Moylan-Rose Valley,
Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Bower Saul, Moylan-Rose Valley.

"June 24, Mr. and Mrs. T. Johnson Ward, Merion,
Mr. and Mrs. Fitz Eugene Dixon, Elkins Park,
Mr. and Mrs. George W. Elkins, Elkins Park,
Mr. and Mrs. James Bush-Brown, Ambler.

"In addition to the above gardens, the Committee gave serious thought to the following gardens which were visited last year:

"Mr. and Mrs. John Barnes Townsend, Radnor,
Mr. and Mrs. Isaac H. Clothier, Jr., Radnor,
Mr. and Mrs. John C. Gilpin, Chestnut Hill,
Mr. and Mrs. Robert T. McCracken, Germantown,
Mr. and Mrs. Charles Willing, Chestnut Hill.

"After careful consideration, the Committee recommends the following awards:

"A gold medal to Mr. and Mrs. J. Franklin McFadden, "Radnor Valley Farm," Rosemont, for their estate of surpassing beauty and charm. Three distinct seasons of bloom - the flowering fruits, the pink and white dogwoods, and the delphinium with climbing roses - testify to the skill and taste of the owners.

"A silver medal to Mr. and Mrs. John Barnes Townsend for their

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charming place "Montrose", at Radnor, in which the landscaping and the use of vistas and views are deserving of admiration.

"A silver medal to Mr. and Mrs. George W. Elkins, "Cheltenham House," Elkins Park, for their well-rounded estate, including the most exquisite of gardens, whose coloring and design merit unqualified praise.

"A silver medal to Mr. and Mrs. Thomas W. Sears, Ardmore, for a garden of outstanding beauty, both as to design, plant material and coloring, and introducing that most elusive of qualities - "atmosphere."

"A bronze medal to Mrs. Henry S. Jeanes, Devon, for her farmhouse garden, whose outstanding qualities are appropriateness, skill in execution, and the introduction of the personality of the owner.

"A bronze medal to Mr. and Mrs. Robert T. McCracken, Germantown, for an intimate garden of great charm, nestled with exquisite taste in the angle of the dwelling-house.

"In regard to the question of recommending an award to Mr. Thomas W. Sears on account of the nature of his business, the Committee was un-animously of the opinion that there was no possible objection which might arise out of this circumstance.

"The estimated cost of these medals is \$125.00. The budget allowance for the Garden Committee for 1930 was used for the Garden Visits, but there is a miscellaneous item budgeted for the Executive Committee which is large enough to take care of the above awards if the recommendations of the Committee are adopted.

"Respectfully submitted,

"Garden Committee:

Mrs. Richard L. Barrows,
Mrs. Benjamin Bullock,
Mrs. A. F. M. Chandler,
Mrs. J. Thomas Liggett,

"WILLIAM J. SERRILL,

"Chairman."

Upon motion of Mr. Williams it was voted that the report be accepted and the medals awarded.

The Chairman of the Exhibition Committee, Mr. W. Atlee Burpee, Jr., reported that he had received a letter from Mrs. Charles S. Starr, Chairman of the Executive Committee of the four Garden Clubs, containing the following resolution which had been adopted at their meeting on October 10th: "Resolved, That this Committee ask The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society if the four Garden Clubs (The Garden Club of Philadelphia, The Gardeners, The Weeders and The Four Counties) may arrange the Society's exhibit at the 1931 Philadelphia Flower Show, and that the Society finance this exhibit." In the letter, Mrs. Starr also asked to what extent the Society would finance the plan if it were adopted. Mr. Burpee stated that his Committee had not met since the letter had been received but that he, personally, thought the plan a very good one. The Council agreed upon its desirability, and, upon motion, the matter was referred to the Exhibition Committee with the request that they report back to the Council.

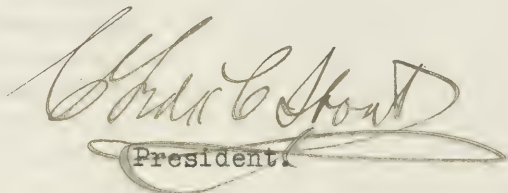
The President read a letter from Mrs. John Hampton Barnes, Chairman of the Legislative Committee of the Garden Club Federation of Pennsylvania, asking for a resolution by the Society endorsing legislation for restriction of billboards, and conservation. It was explained that a bill had been passed in New Jersey providing that no billboards should be placed at a dangerous point or at the intersection of highways and that all billboards must be at least 500 feet back from the highway. Mrs. Elliott added that another feature the Federation wishes to emphasize is the preservation of natural beauty of scenic highways. After some discussion, it was decided that the President should inform Mrs. Barnes that after the proposed bill has been drafted, the Executive Council will be glad to consider it and take action.

The President announced that Mrs. Arthur H. Scott and Mr. George L. Farnum were the Society's delegates to the Garden Club Federation in Pittsburgh (October 15th) and that Mrs. Newhall, another member of the Council, was attending the meeting as president of the Federation. He also stated that Mr. David Rust had been sent as delegate to the annual banquet of the National Association of Gardeners in Washington (also October 15th). At this meeting the plans for an International Peace Garden somewhere along the border between Canada and the United States will be presented, and Mr. Rust is to report the matter back to the Executive Council.

In connection with the Fourth National Exhibit of the American Orchid Society to be held in Washington October 16 - 18, the President reported that at the request of Mr. F. E. Dixon, President of the Orchid Society, he had promised the Society's gold medal to be offered as a special award. His action was approved by the Council.

Announcement was made of the annual meeting of the American Civic Association, which will be held in Philadelphia October 20 - 22 under the auspices of the Regional Planning Federation and other local organizations, and an invitation was extended to the members of this Society to attend the various events that have been planned, particularly the Annual Banquet.

There being no other business, the meeting, on motion, adjourned.


President

Fannie A. Root

For the Secretary.

November 19, 1930.

A regular meeting of the Executive Council of THE PENNSYLVANIA HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY was held in the rooms of the Society, 1600 Arch Street, on the above date. Those present were: Mr. Louis Burk, Mr. W. Atlee Burpee, Jr., Mrs. William T. Elliott, Mr. George L. Farnum, Mr. Fairman R. Furness, Mr. John P. Habermehl, Mr. Jay V. Hare, Mrs. Horatio Gates Lloyd, Mr. J. Franklin McFadden, Mr. Henry F. Michell, Mrs. Thomas Newhall, Mrs. Arthur H. Scott, Mr. William J. Serrill, Mr. C. F. C. Stout and Mr. John C. Wister.

The President, Mr. C. F. C. Stout, was in the Chair.

The following members had notified the Secretary of their inability to be present: Mr. S. S. Pennock, Mr. W. Hinckle Smith and Mr. John Williams.

The Minutes of the meeting held on October 15th were approved as published and distributed.

Twenty-eight persons were elected to Annual Membership.

Upon motion of Mrs. Elliott, it was

RESOLVED, That Mrs. Sidney W. Keith be made an Honorary Member in appreciation of the many years of devoted service which Mr. Keith, as Treasurer, gave to the Society.

Upon motion, the candidates nominated by the Nominating Committee were elected to serve upon the Executive Council, as follows:

Mr. Morris R. Bockius,	Term ending December 31, 1932
	(Unexpired term of Mr. James Boyd)
Mrs. William T. Elliott,	Term ending December 31, 1933
Mr. F. E. Dixon	" " " " "
Mr. George L. Farnum	" " " " "
Mr. Fairman R. Furness	" " " " "
Mr. S. S. Pennock	" " " " "
Mr. William J. Serrill	" " " " "
Mr. C. Frederick C. Stout	" " " " "

The Secretary presented the following report for October: Ten meetings were held in the Council Room during the month, there were forty-five general visitors to the rooms and twenty-seven visitors to the Library. Mr. Rust made nine visits to the gardens of members and addressed one garden club. Thirty-two Annual Members were gained during the month and two Annual Members and one Life Member were lost through death. The membership as of October 31st was 2753 but owing to the fact that seventy-three members were dropped November 1st for non-payment of dues, and that ten new members have been added since then, the membership is today 2690.

The Chairman of the Exhibition Committee, Mr. W. Atlee Burpee, Jr., made a brief report of the Hardy Chrysanthemum Exhibition as follows: The Show was held on the sixth floor of this building on November 5th and 6th. The attendance was approximately 400 and the expenses of the Show about \$150.00. The flowers were of fine quality but there were only about fifty-one exhibits.

Mr. Michell and other members of the Council spoke of the large Chrysanthemum Shows which were held in Horticultural Hall for about twenty years from

1896 on, then in the First Regiment Armory, and in 1921 and 1922 in the Academy of Music. It was agreed that the matter of finer and larger Chrysanthemum Exhibitions in the future should be given serious consideration.

In reference to the 1931 Philadelphia Flower Show, Mr. Burpee stated that at a meeting of the Exhibition Committee held on Wednesday, October 22, 1930, it was unanimously decided that the Exhibition Committee should make the following recommendations to the Executive Council:

1. That The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society accept the kind offer of the Four Garden Clubs (The Garden Club of Philadelphia, The Gardeners, The Weeders and The Four Counties), to arrange the exhibit of the Horticultural Society at the 1931 Philadelphia Flower Show.
2. That Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000.00) be appropriated for the 1931 Philadelphia Flower Show - \$1,000.00 to be allotted for the Horticultural Society's exhibit, to be arranged by the Four Garden Clubs, and \$1,000.00 to be allotted to the Schedule Committee for prizes and necessary equipment.
3. That the Four Garden Clubs in making the exhibit arrange a suitable place for the secretaries of the Society to transact their business and to secure new members, and also that they provide a section of the space with chairs for the use of members of the Horticultural Society. It is suggested that this space be screened off by the use of evergreens so that it may not detract from the general arrangement of the exhibit.

A discussion of the above recommendations followed, and upon motion of Mr. Serrill the recommendations were adopted.

In further connection with the Philadelphia Flower Show, the President stated that the Special Committee had held a very satisfactory meeting the preceding morning. At that meeting the President had been asked to appoint two members to act upon a Hall Plan Committee and upon motion of Mr. Michell, he was empowered to do so. (Mr. Stout later appointed Mr. Farnum and Mr. Furness).

The President asked Mrs. Newhall for a brief report of the Garden Club Federation of Pennsylvania's meeting in Sewickley on October 15th, and she replied that Mrs. Scott had read Mr. Stout's message about this Society at the luncheon following the meeting and that Mr. Farnum, the Society's other delegate to the meeting, had made an interesting address describing his visit to the Royal Horticultural Society last summer and then upon request, had told the meeting about his methods of raising Dahlias. Mrs. Newhall added that complete Minutes of the meeting would be sent to all the member clubs of the Federation.

The President announced that if there had been time he had hoped to have three reports read by the Secretary, but on account of the Annual Meeting which was to follow, they would have to be postponed until a subsequent meeting: He named the reports as follows: "Flowers for the Flowerless," by Mrs. Charles F. Derby, "International Peace Garden" project, by Mr. Rust, and Mr. Wister's report on the meeting in New York on October 22nd, to discuss plans for a school for trained gardeners.

The President informed the Council that he would like to submit a plan for their consideration of dividing the Society into groups, in order to stimulate more interest in the work. He said it was very difficult to handle such a large

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organization as a unit and spoke of the various divisions in the Army to illustrate his point. Mr. Stout mentioned the gardeners particularly, as he felt that at present they were the group most out of touch with the Society's activities. Upon being asked whether he had any definite method in mind for approaching this problem, he said he had not worked out anything in concrete form but merely wished to bring the matter before the Council at this time, and would like the members to consider it and then discuss it at a later Council meeting.

As it was three o'clock, the hour appointed for the Annual Meeting, the Council meeting, upon motion, adjourned.

John C. Wicks
Secretary.

The ANNUAL MEETING of THE PENNSYLVANIA HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY was held on the sixteenth floor of the Insurance Company of North America Building, 1600 Arch Street, at 3 o'clock, on the above date.

The President, Mr. C. F. C. Stout, was in the Chair.

There were thirty-eight members present.

The Secretary, Mr. John C. Wister, reported the election of members of the Executive Council as follows:

"At the regular monthly meeting of the Executive Council, held just before this meeting, the following candidates were elected to serve on the Executive Council:

"For term ending December 31, 1932 - unexpired term of Mr. Boyd
Mr. Morris R. Bockius.

"For term ending December 31, 1933:
Mrs. William T. Elliott,
Mr. Fitz Eugene Dixon,
Mr. George L. Farnum,
Mr. Fairman R. Furness,
Mr. S. S. Pennock,
Mr. William J. Serrill,
Mr. C. Frederick C. Stout.

"In accordance with the By-Laws, (Section VIII), a Nomination Committee consisting, ex-officio, of the members of the Executive Council who have more than one year but less than two years to serve, nominated the above candidates. The Committee filed its nominations with the Secretary before October 1st and the Secretary published them in 'Horticulture' a month ago. No additional nominations were made, and as the By-Laws provide that in such case an election by ballot is not necessary, the Executive Council, by motion, elected the candidates nominated by the Committee."

The President made a brief address, speaking of his election to the presidency in January 1930, following Mr. Boyd's death the previous month, and outlining the progress of the Society during the current year. He called attention to the present membership of 2690 and said that although a net gain of seven hundred members this year is very encouraging, he hoped the Society would be able to double its membership before many years and thus, with increased revenue, broaden the scope of its work. He mentioned the endowment fund which makes it possible for the Society to offer its various privileges to members, and stated that with the present membership the Society expends approximately \$8.00 for each member in addition to the Annual Dues of \$3.00.

The Secretary reviewed the activities of the Society during 1930 as follows:

"While my report will be brief, I wish to make it comprehensive enough to enable our members to get a bird's-eye view of the year's work. This is the oldest Horticultural Society in America and it is pleasant to report that its 103rd year has been most successful. Never before have we gained so rapidly in members; 813 new members have been added since the first of January. When Mr. Boyd became president in 1919 there were but 350 members. Today we have nearly 2700.

"Our offices this year have been used to a greater extent than ever before. Over 400 of our members have used the Library from time to time and over 500 others have come to our offices on other business, often with questions relating to their gardens. The Council Room has been used for fifty-eight meetings by our own committees and by various allied organizations, such as the John Bartram Association, The Council for the Preservation of Natural Beauty in Pennsylvania, various Conservation and Wild Flower committees, the School of Horticulture and many Garden Club activities. During the year the Society was active in the organization of the Garden Club Federation of Pennsylvania, which now has forty-seven member clubs. The formation of this Federation is of a distinct benefit to Pennsylvania gardening, for it brings together persons from all sections of the State and gives a common meeting ground for the discussion of gardening problems. It is strange that Pennsylvania, which organized the first Horticultural Society in the United States, should have been so slow in federating its garden clubs, for such federations already exist in twenty-five other states. One of the chief aims of the Federation is the conservation of natural beauty in Pennsylvania and to this end it will work for the preservation of forests and wild flowers and for the restriction of billboards, which at present ruin the beauty of the countryside in so many districts.

"HORTICULTURE continues as the official organ of the Society and our members are referred to the inside of the back cover for notices of our various meetings and activities. This magazine is edited by the Secretary of the Massachusetts Horticultural Society for the members of that Society and of the New York and Pennsylvania Societies. We believe it is one of the best, if not the best, gardening paper which is published in this country, and it has been very encouraging to find how much our members value the privilege of receiving this paper twice a month.

"Each winter a series of lectures is presented by the Society. Last winter we had Prof. A. P. Saunders on Peonies, Mrs. Charles H. Stout on Rock Gardens and Mr. W. E. Marshall on Lilies. This afternoon we are most fortunate in having, in connection with our Annual Meeting, a lecture by Mr. Carl Purdy. Aside from any direct information which we may receive from lectures, the presence of eminent horticulturalists at our meetings should be and is an inspiration to us all. I feel that all our members should be proud that our Society, by cooperating with the New York and Massachusetts Societies, made Mr. Purdy's eastern trip possible. Interested people anywhere can read Mr. Purdy's messages in print, but only to the privileged few is given the opportunity of meeting him as you are to meet him today. The persons whom we have had to lecture in the past constitute almost an horticultural hall of fame. Members who have been regular in attendance at the lectures have met some of the greatest gardeners of our time.

"In this connection I may mention that four times - in 1916, 1920, 1924 and 1927 - our members have had the privilege of hearing Mr. E. H. Wilson, and through these lectures here many of us felt that we knew him well. He has often helped our members by identifying plants and answering various horticultural questions. Mr. Boyd and I both called upon him often for advice and suggestions as to the work of the Society.

"Mr. Wilson's death in an automobile accident last month was a tragedy from which American gardening will be slow to recover. He meant much to us here in Pennsylvania. The plants he brought from China are well suited to our climate. His work at the Arnold Arboretum taught us how to grow hundreds of plants which formerly were unknown to us. His books, bulletins and magazine articles have been of great value and may now be considered a legacy to gardeners of the future.

"We have planned a lecture on Alpine Plants by Mrs. Edith Banghart of Medina, Washington, on Tuesday afternoon, January 20th; a lecture on Spanish Gardens by Mr. Jay V. Hare, a member of our Executive Council, on Tuesday afternoon, February 3rd; and a lecture on "An Iris Pilgrimage to Japan" by Dr. George M. Reed of Brooklyn Botanic Garden, on Tuesday afternoon, February 17th. These three lectures have definitely been arranged for and I personally hope that there may still be an opportunity for us to secure the services of Clarence Elliott, a great English expert on alpine plants, who may be coming to this country next March.

"Our Library is being kept up-to-date by the addition of new books as they appear, and we are planning to keep it open each Tuesday evening in January, February and March for persons who cannot get in during the daytime. We hope that more and more members will make use of the Library and cordially invite all persons present today to inspect it before they leave the building.

"Our Society cooperated with the Philadelphia Flower Show last March and took entire charge of the Women's classes. We had a beautiful garden exhibit and a booth which served as a meeting place for our members. We had a small Rose Show in June in this building, and a Dahlia Show in connection with the Bryn Mawr Horse Show in September, and a small Hardy Chrysanthemum Exhibition a few weeks ago. We hope next year's exhibitions will be equally successful and we look forward to keener competition in the various classes from more of our members. In addition to awards made at our own exhibitions, the Society's gold medal was given to the Massachusetts Horticultural Society for award at their March Show and to the American Orchid Society for their recent exhibition in Washington. We gave silver and bronze medals to the American Dahlia Society's annual exhibition and a medal and cup to the Atlantic City Flower Pageant. Silver cups and garden club plaquettes were given to local organizations for award at their exhibitions as in other years, and aside from exhibitions, the Garden Committee made awards of medals to outstanding gardens, details of which will be found in the November first HORTICULTURE. Mr. Rust acted as judge at many flower shows in the Philadelphia region, as well as at Atlantic City.

"This Society is unique in offering to its members the services of a gardening consultant in order to encourage small gardens and raise their standard. The services of Mr. David Rust are available without charge, except actual traveling expenses from Philadelphia. He has made seventy such visits to gardens this season and his services have met with a very appreciative response. No garden is too small for Mr. Rust to visit, for it is primarily the small garden that we wish to encourage. Persons with large estates and skilled gardeners do not need a service of this character as do beginners with small places. We hope our members will tell their friends that by joining this Society they can have this valuable service for their gardens. Mr. Rust can also be consulted at the office on Monday afternoons, and other times by appointment.

"The Executive Council discussed at great length the question of a suitable memorial to Mr. Boyd. Some of us hoped that this might take the form of the long-hoped for garden, which would be run by this Society, using Mr. Boyd's own plants as a nucleus for a future collection. A sub-committee of the Council investigated the possibilities of such a garden in Fairmount Park or some other public place but many difficulties arose and the Council felt that it would not be possible to create a garden at this time that would be worthy of being known as a memorial to our late President. Therefore, it was voted to place a tablet to Mr. Boyd on the walls of the Council Room, where our members can now see it, to establish a medal for Mr. Boyd's favorite

flower, the Peony, and to offer this each year at the annual exhibition of the American Peony Society. This medal was awarded for the first time in July 1930, at the Duluth Show of the American Peony Society, and was won by some fine seedling Peonies which all felt Mr. Boyd would have himself chosen.

"The various activities of this Society are governed and controlled by the Executive Council of twenty-one members. This Council was re-organized by Mr. Boyd when he became President in 1919 and is now divided into various committees which have charge of exhibitions, lectures, library, garden visits and awards, etc. At the beginning of each year a budget is prepared showing the money available for each committee to use, and their programs are made to fit these appropriations. I mention these in detail as many of our members have the mistaken idea that this is a very wealthy Society that can do anything it wishes. It may, therefore, be of interest to know that for three dollars which each member pays into the treasury of this Society, there is added a sum of \$8.50 for each member from our endowment fund. We owe this endowment to the generosity and interest of the late William L. Schaffer, President of this Society from 1867 to 1884. Mr. Boyd, during his eleven years as President, constantly stressed the need of further endowments for a Society of this character and often commented on the fact that while we had but one endowment given to us the Massachusetts Horticultural Society has had large gifts from about a dozen different persons. Their total income is more than twice the size of ours and still is inadequate for their activities. We are unable to undertake any more activities under our present endowment, the income of which amounts roughly to about \$22,000.00 a year. This money enables us to keep our offices in a central and convenient part of the city, build up our library, give our lectures and exhibitions and pay salaries of our office staff. No officer of the Society receives any salary and all of our officers and members of our Council are busy people who give without stint of their time to make this Society a success. This was notably true of Mr. Boyd, who practically devoted the last eleven years of his life to this Society and its work. One of the things that he constantly emphasized was the need of more members. Though we are proud of our growth, our 2700 members seem pretty small compared to the Royal Horticultural Society of England which has 27,000. Some of our members have attended the wonderful English flower shows and it may interest them to know that the Royal Horticultural Society has a yearly income of more than \$215,000.00 from membership fees alone. In addition to this it has large endowments and many special funds for prizes, cups and medals. Royal Horticultural Hall with its library and offices has cost more than \$1,000,000.00 and again serves to emphasize the more serious interest in horticulture which prevails abroad.

"The Horticultural Society of New York and the National Association of Gardeners have for some time recognized the need of an American school to train gardeners. A special committee has been appointed to make recommendations as to how, where and when such a school can be started. I have been made a member of this committee as a representative of this Society and thus will be enabled to keep our members informed about the plans that are being made.

"The Society has been asked to cooperate in the International Peace Garden which is to be established along the Canadian border by the National Association of Gardeners and other cooperating organizations. Plans for this garden are in a formative stage and as yet we have taken no official part in the movement. It will be brought up for action before our Council at the proper time in the future.

"This Society is always interested in public gardens and our members will watch with great interest the final fate of the Painter Arboretum in Media. The owner of this wonderful place - John J. Tyler of Germantown, nephew of the

two Painter brothers who founded the Arboretum - died recently and legal complications concerning his will have arisen. It is hoped, however, that his widow will carry out his wishes to preserve the remarkable trees, and to allow the public to see and enjoy them.

"In this connection, I might also mention that the plans for the new Arboretum at Swarthmore are under way and that in time this should become a valuable horticultural estate to all who live near Philadelphia.

"In closing, I wish to re-emphasize that your Society exists for the advancement of Horticulture. Your officers are doing their best to guide the Society wisely. They want your help, your guidance, your interest and your suggestions. Help them to make 1931 and the years to come banner years for gardening.

"JOHN C. WISTER, Secretary."

In regard to the death of Mr. E. H. Wilson which occurred on October 15, 1930, the President explained that messages of condolence had been sent to the Massachusetts Horticultural Society and to the Arnold Arboretum by both the President and the Secretary at the time. However, the meeting wished to have a public expression from the Society, and upon motion of Mrs. Newhall, the following resolution was adopted:

The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society has lost a valuable friend in the death of Mr. E. H. Wilson, and this Society hereby expresses its deep appreciation of his work and its great sorrow over his sudden death.

This resolution shall be sent to the Massachusetts Horticultural Society.

There was a question from the floor as to whether the Society was going to exert its influence in having the Painter Arboretum preserved intact, and the Secretary replied that he was trying to get some definite information as to the conditions governing the property and as to what the chances are for its preservation as an Arboretum.

The President stated that it was time for Mr. Purdy's lecture, which was to be presented as a special feature of the Annual Meeting, to begin, and upon motion, the business program was concluded and the members adjourned to the next room for the lecture.

John C. Wister
Secretary.

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December 17, 1930.

A regular meeting of the Executive Council of THE PENNSYLVANIA HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY was held in the rooms of the Society, 1600 Arch Street, on the above date. Those present were: Mr. Morris R. Bockius, Mrs. William T. Elliott, Mr. Jay V. Hare, Mr. Henry F. Mitchell, Mrs. Thomas Newhall, Mrs. Arthur H. Scott, Mr. W. Hinckle Smith, Mr. C.F.C. Stout and Mr. John C. Wister.

The President, Mr. C. F. C. Stout, was in the Chair.

The following members had notified the Secretary of their inability to be present: Mr. W. Atlee Burpee, Jr., Mr. Louis Burk, Mrs. Edward M. Cheston, Mr. F. E. Dixon, Mr. George L. Farnum, Mr. F. R. Furness, Mrs. H. G. Lloyd, Mr. J. Franklin McFadden, Mr. William J. Serrill and Mr. John Williams.

The minutes of the regular meeting held on November 19th were approved as published and distributed, and the minutes of the Annual Meeting held on the same day were also approved.

Thirty persons whose names had been proposed for membership were duly elected.

The names of Dr. L. H. Bailey of Ithaca, N. Y., horticultural authority and editor of the Standard Cyclopedia of Horticulture, and Mr. Carl Purdy, of Ukiah, California, specialist in California wild flowers, were proposed for Honorary Membership and were unanimously elected.

The Secretary reported that the total membership of the Society as of the above date was 2730, slightly smaller than last month because 73 old members were dropped for non-payment of dues. There were 75 visitors to the rooms in November, 60 visitors to the Library, and 13 meetings in the Council room. Mr. Rust made six visits and gave three garden talks.

The President requested the chairmen of the standing committees to prepare their budget requirements promptly so that the Finance Committee may meet early in January to make the budget for 1931. He also stated that he wished to have the 1931 Year Book contain more complete information about the activities of the Society that has been the case in the past.

The President submitted his 1930 report as follows:

It is a great pleasure for me to be able to report to you in my annual message that the year has proven one of increasing interest and increasing activity in which, it may well be said, your Society has continued to grow and prosper in its work. We are so organized that the various phases of our activities are represented in the Council by Chairmen of Committees who concentrate in their allotted field of administration.

These Chairmen bring to the Council table for discussion wide and varied subjects pertaining to horticulture. It is out of these discussions wisest expenditure of the income of the Society is promulgated. As we work under a budget system, the amount allotted each department by the Finance Committee places a limit upon the extent of the work in our various departments. The Society has an income from endowments of \$21,000.00. It is certain this

amount cannot be increased. We must look for further endowments and an increase in membership, and it is to these I wish to direct your special attention. If our Society continues to advance the cause of horticulture in a virile and worthy way, I feel, as the years pass there will come to it further endowment from those, like Mr. Schaffer, devoted to its interests. To this end it is for us to continue our efforts vigorously in making the service of the Society substantial and lasting.

The increase in our membership this past year is outstanding. We have added 862, making our total membership today 2730, as against 400 a decade ago. Whenever I have had the opportunity, at lectures or other gatherings, I have stated the Society should have at least 5,000 members. This could be very easily accomplished if all of our members would take it upon themselves to secure one or more. It is this appeal I make most urgently in this Annual Report, as it is the one avenue at hand to increase our yearly income which, in turn, will enable our Society to progress and become even more potent in the work which the founders ascribed to it to fulfill.

Our Secretary, Mr. Wister, will make a more detailed survey of the activities and accomplishments of the past year and embrace in it the Reports of the Chairmen of the various Committees of your Council.

I would be remiss if I did not refer to the great loss the Society sustained in the death of my predecessor, James Boyd, which took place December 2, 1929. His last great contribution to the Society was the compilation and editing of our History from the date of its foundation in 1827. He lived to see this work completed and finished his last annual message to you when death claimed him. With his demise the Society lost a great executive and leader and his administration will go down as one of the most aggressive, constructive and unselfish of any in its history. In him horticulture lost a staunch friend and advocate.

Mr. Boyd, assisted by some of our prominent women, had inaugurated the preliminary work that led up to the formation of the Federation of Garden Clubs in the State of Pennsylvania. It became my immediate duty to see these plans carried through, and, in accordance therewith, a meeting was held in the Society's rooms on March 26, 1930, at which time the Federation became an accomplished fact and Mrs. Thomas Newhall, of the Executive Council of the Pennsylvania Horticultural Society, assumed the Presidency. Its form of organization and by-laws was passed at this meeting and it was launched under most favorable auspices and is receiving the enthusiastic support of its constituent organizations.

In closing, I extend my appreciation and thanks to the Chairmen and members of the various Committees and our executive force for the loyal and splendid support which they have given to me in the efforts which we have put forth.

The next business before the meeting was the election of officers for 1931. Mr. Henry F. Michell, Honorary Vice-President took the Chair, and upon motion of Mr. Bockius, the present officers were unanimously re-elected, as follows: President, Mr. C. F. C. Stout; Vice-Presidents, Mrs. Horatio Gates Lloyd and Mr. William J. Serrill; Treasurer, Mr. S. S. Pennock; Secretary, Mr. John C. Wister.

The President thanked the Executive Council for their expression of confidence in him and resumed the Chair. He announced that there were four matters of unfinished business to be considered, and they were then presented as follows:

1. "Flowers for the Flowerless". The Secretary read the report of Mrs. Charles F. Derby, the Society's representative in this movement, and upon motion the report was accepted and the Secretary instructed to thank Mrs. Derby for her work.
2. "International Peace Garden". The Secretary read the report of Mr. Rust, who was the Society's representative at the annual meeting of the National Association of Gardeners, in Washington, on October 15th. The plans for the International Peace Garden were submitted in detail. It was decided that the Council could not now give the Society's financial endorsement to the project, and the matter was referred to the Finance Committee for their consideration when making the 1931 budget.
3. "Training School for Gardeners". The Secretary read a report of a plan to establish a training school for practical gardeners which was formulated at a meeting in New York, on October 22nd, sponsored by The Horticultural Society of New York, and The National Association of Gardeners.
4. "Mr. Stout's plan of group organization". Mr. Stout referred to the group plan he had mentioned at previous meetings, and explained that at the present time he is particularly interested in drawing the professional gardeners into closer touch with the Society. Probably the first step in this direction would be the giving of cash prizes at the Society's exhibitions to the gardeners themselves instead of to the owners as at present - except in cases where the owners requested that cash premiums should be paid to them. It was suggested that the next vacancy on the Council should be filled by a gardener, and it was further proposed that the candidate for this vacancy should be designated by the local branch of the National Association of Gardeners. Upon motion of Mr. W. Hinckle Smith, it was voted:

THAT the matter of paying cash premiums to gardeners at the Society's exhibitions shall be referred to the Chairman of the Exhibition Committee, and to the President and Secretary.

In connection with the Philadelphia Flower Show, to be held at the Commercial Museum, March 16 - 21, the President reported that Mr. Farnum, Mr. Furness, Mr. Wister and himself had met with a special committee of the

Philadelphia Flower Show organization, and that he was pleased to report that two tickets for the Show would be allotted to each member of the Society, and that the plans for the event are progressing favorably.

The President stated that a new honor had been conferred upon the Secretary. The first gold medal of the American ^{Mrs.} Society was awarded to Mr. Wister in recognition of the distinguished service he has rendered that Society, at the meeting of its directors in New York on December 13th. Ten years ago Mr. Wister helped organize the Iris Society and became its first president, which office he has held ever since.

The President mentioned that Mr. John J. Tyler, of Germantown, owner of the Painter Arboretum near Media, had died in November and that the final disposition of the arboretum has not been determined. Mr. Wister stated that he had been in communication with Mrs. Tyler's attorneys and with the Provident Trust Company, executors of the estate. A great deal of interest was expressed by the Council, and in order to find out what sort of a gardening organization would be required to maintain the place and how much money would be necessary for an adequate endowment fund, the President named the following committee to investigate and report back to the Council: Mrs. Thomas Newhall, Mrs. Arthur H. Scott, Mr. W. Hinckle Smith, Mr. F. R. Furness and Mr. John C. Wister.

There being no other business, the meeting, on motion, adjourned.

John C. Wister
Secretary.

January 21, 1931.

A regular meeting of the Executive Council of THE PENNSYLVANIA HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY was held in the rooms of the Society, 1600 Arch Street, on the above date. Those present were: Mr. Morris R. Bockius, Mr. W. Atlee Burpee, Jr., Mrs. William T. Elliott, Mrs. Horatio G. Lloyd, Mr. Henry F. Michell, Mrs. Thomas Newhall, Mr. William J. Serrill, Mr. W. Hinckle Smith, Mr. C. Frederick C. Stout, Mr. John Williams and Mr. John C. Wister.

The President, Mr. C. Frederick C. Stout, was in the Chair.

The following members had notified the Secretary of their inability to be present: Mr. Louis Burk, Mrs. Edward F. Cheston, Mr. F. E. Dixon, Mr. George L. Farnum, Mr. Fairman R. Furness, Mr. Jay V. Hare, Mr. S. S. Pennock and Mrs. A. H. Scott.

The minutes of the regular meeting held on December 17th were approved as published and distributed.

Thirty-five annual members and three life members (whose names had been proposed) were duly elected. The Secretary called attention to the fact that since the first of the year sixteen persons had transferred from annual to life membership and that two children, Alice and Frank Mustin, were among the new life members.

The Secretary reported the following figures for the year 1930: At the end of the year there were 2731 members, a net gain of 722 for the year. 851 annual members were added during the year and nineteen life members, while thirty-two transferred from annual membership to life. Three honorary members were elected. 151 members were lost during the year, due to various causes. Ninety-one meetings were held in the rooms, and exclusive of persons attending meetings there were 734 general visitors and 581 visitors to the library. Mr. Rust visited eighty-nine gardens, gave sixteen talks on garden subjects and judged at eleven flower shows.

The President, with the approval of the Council, appointed the following Standing and Special Committees for 1931:

Standing Committees

<u>Executive Committee:</u>	<u>Library Committee</u>	<u>Lecture Committee</u>
Mr. William J. Serrill, Chairman	Mrs. Horatio Gates Lloyd,	Mrs. William T. Elliott
Mr. Benjamin Bullock	Chairman	Chairman
Mr. Louis Burk	Mrs. Arthur E. Billings	Mrs. Horatio G. Lloyd
Mr. Henry F. Michell	Mrs. Francis Von A. Cabeen, Jr.	Mr. John C. Wister
Mr. John Williams	Mrs. John S. Newbold	
Mr. John C. Wister	Mrs. William J. Willcox	
<u>Finance Committee</u>	<u>Exhibition Committee</u>	
Mr. Fitz Eugene Dixon, Chairman	Mr. George L. Farnum, Chairman	
Mr. S. S. Pennock	Mr. W. Atlee Burpee, Jr., Vice-Chairman	
Mr. W. Hinckle Smith	Mrs. William T. Elliott	Mrs. D. Braden Kyle
	Mr. Fairman R. Furness	Mrs. Charles S. Starr
	Mr. Jay V. Hare	Mr. John Williams
<u>Garden Committee</u>		
Mr. William J. Serrill, Chairman		
(With Power)		

Special Committee

Garden Information - Mr. Rust's Department
 Mrs. Benjamin Bullock Mr. Thomas W. Sears
 Mrs. Edward M. Cheston Dr. Rodney H. True
 Mr. F. R. Furness Mr. John C. Wister

January 21, 1931.

The President spoke particularly of the Exhibition Committee, stating that Mr. Burpee, due to the pressure of other duties, had asked to be relieved of the Chairmanship of this Committee. Accordingly, Mr. George L. Farnum was appointed to fill the vacancy, but Mr. Burpee was asked to remain on the Committee as Vice-Chairman, which he agreed to do. The matter of bringing the gardeners into closer touch with the Society was again discussed and it was reported that the question of awarding cash prizes to gardeners (unless otherwise instructed by owners of gardens) has not yet been taken up by the Exhibition Committee. It was pointed out that the matter needed careful consideration before action is taken.

The President called attention to the Special Committee which will function in connection with Mr. Rust's department, and stated that if this Committee does valuable work he hopes it will be made a permanent Committee.

It was reported that the budget requirements of the various Committees had been prepared and that there will be a meeting of the Finance Committee during the first week in February to make up the Budget.

The President stated that Miss Mary Evans who will edit the Year Book is working on the material and that copy will go to the printer in February.

Mr. Serrill read a recommendation from Mrs. Cheston in regard to the Society placing an advertisement in the programme of a performance featuring the dancer La Argentina for the benefit of the Bryn Mawr Summer School. After discussion it was decided not to do this because it would set an undesirable precedent if the Society advertised in this way.

The Chairman of the Lecture Committee, Mrs. Elliott, reported that the lecture by Mrs. Edith Banghart on Alpine Plants, presented the preceding day, had been very interesting, and that the slides were particularly fine. There was an attendance of about 210.

Mrs. Newhall reported a conference with Mr. Parker Williams, President of the Provident Trust Company, in regard to the preservation of Painter Arboretum, and Mr. Wister spoke of his visit to the Arboretum with Mr. Furness, and showed photographs of the place which he had made.

The Secretary informed the Council of a conference to be held by the United States Department of Agriculture in Washington, on January 29th, to review the pest situation with respect to foreign importation and interstate movement of Narcissus bulbs. Upon motion of Mr. Bockius, Mr. Wister was appointed delegate to represent the Society at the conference, and the following recommendation was adopted:

"The Society welcomes a conference of this kind and requests that the Government seriously consider a reasonable modification of its embargo to permit freer importation of daffodil bulbs under proper sterilization."

There being no further business, the meeting, on motion, adjourned.


Secretary

February 18, 1931.

A regular meeting of the Executive Council of THE PENNSYLVANIA HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY was held in the rooms of the Society, 1600 Arch Street, on the above date. Those present were: Mrs. William T. Elliott, Mr. John M. Habermehl, Mr. Jay V. Hare, Mrs. Horatio Gates Lloyd, Mr. S. S. Pennock, Mrs. Arthur H. Scott, Mr. William J. Serrill, Mr. W. Hinckle Smith, Mr. C. F. C. Stout, Mr. John Williams and Mr. John C. Wister.

The President, Mr. C. Frederick C. Stout, was in the Chair.

The following members had notified the Secretary of their inability to be present: Mr. W. Atlee Burpee, Jr., Mrs. Edward M. Cheston, Mr. George L. Farnum, Mr. F. R. Furness, Mr. J. Franklin McFadden, and Mr. Henry F. Michell.

The minutes of the regular meeting held on January 21, were approved as published and distributed.

The date of the March meeting was changed from the 18th to the 25th, on account of the Philadelphia Flower Show.

Seventy-five annual members, whose names had been proposed, were elected, and it was noted that seven annual members had transferred to life membership during the past month.

The Secretary made the following report - contrasting the figures for January 1931 with those for January 1930:

January	Members added		Visitors		Meetings	Mr. Rust's Visits
	Annual	Life	General	Library		
1931	55	20	97	87	17	6
1930	44	30	86	61	10	5

He also reported a total attendance at the three lectures in January and February this year as being 1145, as against 747 during the series last year, and mentioned that 550 persons heard Mr. Hare's lecture - the largest attendance at a lecture in the history of the Society.

An amendment to the By-Laws in regard to time of payment of Annual Dues was proposed by the Chairman of the Executive Committee, Mr. William J. Serrill, due notice of the proposed change having been sent to the members of the Council with notice of the meeting. After considering the matter from various angles, it was voted to amend Article XI, section 1, to read as follows:

"The dues of all annual members shall be Three Dollars, payable in advance. If such dues are not paid within four months of the date of the bill, such persons shall cease to be members of the Society."

The following Budget for the year 1931, as prepared by the Finance Committee, was submitted and examined in detail, and upon motion of Mr. Lloyd, duly seconded, was adopted:

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BUDGET for the CALENDAR YEAR 1931EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE - Mrs. William J. Serrill, Chairman

Rent of Rooms, 1600 Arch Street	\$5,100.00	
Salaries	8,820.00	
Insurance	95.00	
Postage	400.00	
Year Book	\$1,000.00	
Printing & Stationery	<u>500.00</u>	11,500.00
Treasurer's bond	25.00	
Water, ice, towels & floors	135.00	
Telephone	225.00	
New equipment	270.00	
Miscellaneous	<u>700.00</u>	\$17,270.00

LECTURE COMMITTEE - Mrs. William T. Elliott, Chairman

Lecture expenses	750.00	750.00
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EXHIBITION COMMITTEE - Mr. George L. Farnum, Chairman

Rent of storage space	500.00	
Philadelphia Flower Show	2,000.00	
Spring Show	300.00	
Dahlia Show	1,200.00	
Hardy "Mum" Show	250.00	
New equipment & repairs	150.00	
Medals, vases, plaquettes, etc.	600.00	
Miscellaneous	<u>100.00</u>	5,100.00

LIBRARY COMMITTEE - Mrs. Horatio Gates Lloyd, Chairman

Subscriptions to periodicals	125.00	
New books	300.00	
Binding	50.00	
Office expense	25.00	
Library catalog	<u>500.00</u>	1,000.00

COMMITTEE ON GARDEN AWARDS - Mr. William J. Serrill, Chairman

	150.00	150.00
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SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS

Garden visiting days	750.00	
Horticulture	2,050.00	
Brown canker fund	100.00	
John Bartram Association	500.00	
Depreciation	1,200.00	
Entertainment (Phila. Flower Show)	250.00	
Membership	<u>600.00</u>	5,450.00
		\$29,720.00

In connection with the Budget, the President reported that through the instrumentality of Miss Mary Evans, editor of the current Year Book, Mr. Henry H. Collins of Bryn Mawr, a non-member, has consented to donate an attractive cover for this book. Upon motion of Mr. Wister, duly seconded, it was

RESOLVED, That the Executive Council of The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society appreciates greatly the generosity of Mr. Henry H. Collins in presenting the cover for the 1931 Year Book, and hereby expresses its thanks for his kindness.

The Secretary reported that the 1930 Budget had included an appropriation of \$150.00 for flowers to decorate the rooms throughout the year, and that the Finance Committee had decided to omit such an appropriation from this year's Budget and had instructed the Secretary to endeavor to collect flowers from members for this purpose. The Chairman of the Finance Committee, Mr. Fitz Eugene Dixon, had consented to supply flowers for the month of January each year, and Mr. Stout, Mr. Pennock, Mr. W. Hinckle Smith and Mr. Wister, who were present at the meeting when this project was launched, expressed their willingness to be responsible for one month each. The Secretary added that he hoped other members of the Council would be willing to provide flowers for a month or shorter period, and called attention to the fact that Mr. Dixon had inaugurated the movement by bringing in a beautiful collection of Orchids a few days after the meeting.

The Chairman of the Lecture Committee, Mrs. William T. Elliott, reported that the lecture series in January and February had been most successful, and made the following motion concerning Mr. Hare's lecture, which was seconded and adopted unanimously:

RESOLVED, That the Executive Council of The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society desires to congratulate Mr. Hare on the beauty of the slides and the popularity of his lecture, registering the largest attendance ever assembled at a lecture of this Society. The Council desires to thank Mr. Hare for his kindness in giving this lecture, and also Mrs. Hare for her participation, demonstrating the best lantern work given for the Society.

In the absence of the Chairman and the Vice-Chairman of the Exhibition Committee, there was no formal report from that Committee, but Mr. Hare, one of the members, told the Council that in accepting his appointment, he had suggested to Mr. Farnum, the new Chairman, a plan whereby the Society would give its Spring Flower Show in conjunction with some local garden organization - the latter to make the necessary arrangements for producing the Show and to carry the expenses. He said that the Trevoise Horticultural Society would be glad to co-operate in this year's Spring Show, and thought that other Clubs would consider it a privilege to do so in future years.

Mr. Wister reported that the first meeting of the Committee on Garden Information (Mr. Rust's department) was held on February 17, with the following members in attendance: Mrs. Benjamin Bullock, Mrs. Edward M. Cheston, Mr. Thomas W. Sears, and himself - with Mr. Stout as ex-officio member. He stated that the Committee wishes to emphasize to members the point that no garden is too small for Mr. Rust to visit and that this department was designed primarily for the person with a small garden. He announced that on Monday afternoon, March 2, Mr. Rust will conduct a round-table discussion on vegetable gardens, giving advice and answering questions about the preparation of seed orders, planting seeds, etc.

Mr. Wister reported that there had been a meeting of the Special Committee on Painter Arboretum, on January 27, at the Provident Trust Company, with officers of that company in attendance and also Mr. Richard K. Stevens, Mrs. Tyler's attorney. The Committee from this Society furnished figures showing the enormous cost of establishing and maintaining arboreta in this country. They were informed, in turn, that Mrs. Tyler has deeded 68 acres comprising Painter Arboretum proper to her attorney to be preserved for the public, but that she is not at present willing to endow the property. The Trust Company thanked the Committee for their interest and promised that they would not take steps of any kind on this matter without consulting them.

In connection with the Painter Arboretum, Mr. Serrill told the Council that in 1932 it is proposed to celebrate the 250th anniversary of the landing of William Penn, and that it has been suggested to Mr. Alba Johnson, Chairman of arrangements for the project, that an Arboretum, notably Painter's, would form an excellent memorial to this event and that the place might be called Penn's Woods.

Mr. Wister reported the Conference on Importation of Narcissus Bulbs, in Washington, January 29th, 1931, which he had attended as the Society's delegate. His report deplored the fact that a large majority of those present represented the bulb-growing interests in various parts of this country and that their main concern seemed to be to keep the Quarantine in effect in order to avoid foreign competition rather than because they feared infected bulbs. He stated that it was regrettable that the Quarantine should be used as a tariff, but that in view of the forceful demands of the Senators and Congressmen from the districts affected, it would seem most unlikely that the Plant Quarantine Control Administration can at present make any change in the direction of liberalizing the importation of bulbs.

Following Mr. Wister's report, Mrs. Lloyd presented the following Resolution which was adopted as representing the Council's attitude in the Quarantine matter and a copy was ordered sent to the Department in Washington:

The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society believes that the time has come for the Plant Quarantine and Control Administration to consider changes in its regulations; changes that will not add to pest risks and yet which will tend to cease favoring one group of individuals or interests at the expense of other and larger groups. It is almost an axiom that progress in horticulture comes from the amateur rather than from the commercial nursery. Quarantine regulations have, to a large measure, prevented amateur progress during the past ten years. Is it not right to consider the reduction of quantity permits to commercial growers and an increased liberality in giving permits to amateurs to import in small quantities novelties which American horticulture needs?

The President announced that the annual meeting of the Garden Club Federation of Pennsylvania will be held in Philadelphia on March 17 and 18, and that this Society has been requested to send two delegates. With the approval of the Council, he appointed Mrs. Benjamin Bullock and Mrs. D. Braden Kyle as the Society's representatives.

The Secretary reported that The Horticultural Society of New York has invited this Society to join with them this spring in a pilgrimage to Charleston, South Carolina, to visit Middle Place and Magnolia Gardens when the Azaleas are at the height of their bloom. It was decided that this would be a desirable thing to do and the Secretary was instructed to secure details of the trip as soon as possible.

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A letter was read from the Keystone Branch of the Woman's National Farm and Garden Association in regard to urging the Park Commission to develop a rock garden on the East River Drive in Fairmount Park. No action was taken, because one of the members stated that the Park Commission has received already a tremendous volume of mail in this connection.

A communication from Mrs. Hannah Fox, Chairman of Special Committee of Pennsylvania Chapter, Wild Flower Preservation Society of America, relative to a proposed amendment to Act of June 9, 1911, (P. L. 861) entitled, "An act to protect trees and woodlands, and providing punishment for the violation thereof", was brought to the attention of the Council, but Mrs. Elliott advised that the amendment is not yet in proper form and the matter was laid on the table for the present.

A communication setting forth practical methods for garden organizations to co-operate in billboard restriction was brought to the attention of the Council. Mrs. Elliott reported that similar notices will be distributed at the Flower Show in March and added that she wished the Council to know of the valuable work Mrs. John Hampton Barnes has done in connection with the Talbot bill on billboard restriction. This bill is now before the Legislature in session in Harrisburg. It was decided that the Council would like to have the Society endorse the bill if it is in proper form and therefore the Executive Committee was requested to secure a copy of the bill and then ask Mr. Bockius to pass on its legality.

There being no further business, the meeting, on motion, adjourned.

John C. Winter

Secretary

A regular meeting of the Executive Council of THE PENNSYLVANIA HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY was held in the rooms of the Society, 1600 Arch Street, on the above date. Those present were: Mr. W. Atlee Burpee, Jr., Mrs. William T. Elliott, Mr. George L. Farnum, Mr. Fairman R. Furness, Mr. John P. Habermehl, Mr. Jay V. Hare, Mrs. Horatio Gates Lloyd, Mr. Henry F. Michell, Mr. S. S. Pennock, Mr. W. Hinckle Smith, Mr. C. F. C. Stout, Mr. John Williams and Mr. John C. Wister.

The President, Mr. C. Frederick C. Stout, was in the Chair.

The following members had notified the Secretary of their inability to be present: Mr. Morris R. Bockius, Mr. Louis Burk, Mrs. Edward M. Cheston, Mrs. Arthur H. Scott, and Mr. William J. Serrill.

The minutes of the regular meeting held on February 18th, were approved as published and distributed.

213 Annual Members and one Life Member were duly elected. This was one of the two largest elections in the history of the Society - the other being in April, 1930, when 205 Annual and 9 Life Members were elected. The total membership as of the above date was 3006.

The Secretary made the following report for the month of February - Ten meetings were held in the Council Room, there were 134 general visitors to the rooms and 110 visitors to the library. Mr. Rust delivered a lecture in Dover, Delaware, the furthest he has gone from Philadelphia for this purpose, and made twelve other visits to gardens. The total membership at the end of February was 2812.

The Chairman of the Exhibition Committee, Mr. W. Atlee Burpee, Jr., reported that the Philadelphia Flower Show had been the most successful since 1926. He stated that it was a beautiful exhibition from the point of view of the spectator, and that the gate receipts were the largest in the history of the Show. The total attendance was about 110,000. On Wednesday, March 18th, there was the largest crowd of the week - about 25,000. This was attributed to the fine weather and to the fact that Wednesday usually has the peak attendance. It was also the day the Governor's wife, Mrs. Gifford Pinchot, visited the Show.

The President mentioned the luncheon which the Society gave on March 17th at the Barclay for distinguished guests, and it was agreed that it had been a very enjoyable event and well worth-while.

Upon motion of Mrs. Elliott, it was unanimously RESOLVED That

"The Executive Council of The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society congratulates the Philadelphia Flower Show Association upon the extremely beautiful exhibition presented at the Commercial Museum March 16 - 21, 1931, and wishes to express its appreciation for the splendid co-operation and support accorded to the Society in its part of the Flower Show.

The Council also desires to express its enthusiastic thanks to the Flower Show Association for the very lovely flowers which decorated the tables at the luncheon on March 17th, and for the beautiful corsage bouquets, arranged through the courtesy of Mr. John P. Habermehl, which were presented to the ladies on that occasion.

The efforts of the two committees of ladies who ably acted for the Society in the Flower Show were also highly commended, and upon motion of Mr. Farnum the following resolutions were unanimously adopted:

RESOLVED, That the Executive Council of The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society desires to thank Mrs. Charles S. Starr for her splendid work as chairman of the Committee in charge of the classes sponsored by the Society at the Philadelphia Flower Show, March 16 - 21, 1931, and extends its thanks to the members of her committee.

RESOLVED, That the Executive Council of The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society desires to express to Mrs. George L. Harrison, Chairman, its enthusiastic appreciation of the efforts of the Committee of the Four Garden Clubs in designing and executing the extremely attractive exhibit for the Society (representing an outdoor living room in the French manner) at the Philadelphia Flower Show, March 16 - 21, 1931.

Mrs. Charles W. Rehfuess of Valley Forge, a great granddaughter of Caleb Cope, President of the Society 1842 - 1851, presented one of her flower pictures to the Society to give as a special recognition in connection with the Flower Show. This was given to Mrs. Charles S. Starr, who has worked faithfully and hard as Chairman of the woman's committee in charge of the Society's classes at this Show for the past three years.

The President also reported that at the luncheon a very lovely bouquet of sweet peas was presented to Mrs. Edward M. Bok. These flowers were a new mid-blue variety introduced by the W. Atlee Burpee Company, who named them "Mary Louise Bok" and gave the bouquet for presentation to Mrs. Bok at the luncheon.

The Chairman of the Exhibition Committee, Mr. George L. Farnum, reported that just before the Council meeting he had presided at the first meeting of his committee since he had assumed the Chairmanship. He said the committee had many ideas which they are considering for the three coming Shows. One of them is the project of holding a spring Show early in June in conjunction with the Trevoise Horticultural Society, at Trevoise, Pa., and another is the desirability of establishing a special class for gardeners only, with large cash prizes in an effort to increase their interest in the Shows. Mr. Farnum said that arrangements had been made to stage the Dahlia Show at the Bryn Mawr Horse Show again this year, but that next year he thought the committee might favor holding a town show in the Bellevue-Stratford.

The following resolution was offered by the Executive Committee, Mr. William J. Serrill, Chairman, to whom the matter of action by the Society in regard to furthering billboard restriction had been referred at the last meeting:

"The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society expresses its approval of the purposes embodied in House Bill #259 introduced by Mr. Talbot and requests its representatives in the legislature to use their influence, and to cast their votes, in favor of said bill".

The resolution was adopted and the Secretary was instructed to send copies of it to the 206 members of the House of Representatives in the Pennsylvania Legislature.

In connection with billboard restriction, the following letter from the Henry F. Michell Company was read, and Mr. Michell who was present as a member of the Council was commended for the praiseworthy stand his company had taken:

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"I feel sure that you will be pleased to hear that while the General Outdoor Advertising Company has refused to release us from our contract which has considerable time yet to run, we have nevertheless instructed them to paint out immediately our advertisement which has appeared on the following billboards and locations:

56th & Lancaster Avenue, Philadelphia.
Stenton Ave. & Washington Lane, Phila.
Walnut La. & Johnson St., Gtn., Phila."

It was noted that the Garden Club Federation of Pennsylvania had received the announcement of the Mitchell Company's action with acclaim at their Annual Meeting and the Council agreed that this kind of thing is most helpful in the billboard restriction movement.

The Chairman of the Library Committee, Mrs. Lloyd, read a letter from the librarian at Arnold Arboretum offering the Society a set of Professor Sargent's *North American Silva*, which has become very rare. Fourteen volumes comprise the set and the price asked is \$350.00. Mrs. Lloyd stated that it would be very desirable for the Library to have this set but that the appropriation for books this year would not permit its purchase. The Secretary reported that Mrs. Newhall had given him \$25.00 as a contribution toward buying the books and the President thereupon announced that he would also contribute \$25.00. Mrs. Lloyd asked if she might have the President's permission to write the other members of the Council for donations, which was accorded.

The new Library Catalog was inspected and highly approved.

In the absence of Mrs. Newhall, Mrs. Elliott reviewed briefly the annual meeting of the Garden Club Federation, comprising fifty-five member clubs, which was held in Philadelphia March 17th and 18th. She stated that it has been a very successful meeting and that it had been most interesting to hear the excellent reports from many of the Clubs. Their accomplishments were reviewed in connection with the competition for the Gold Medal of Achievement, offered by Mrs. George L. Harrison. The medal was won by the Lawrence County Garden Club of Newcastle, Pa., the smallest Club in the Federation. Its outstanding achievement was "The conducting of a Better Lawns Contest in which 3750 persons took part, and planting an avenue of elm trees three miles long along the State Highway, to be called the Highway of Remembrance, in honor of the heroes of the World War". Mrs. Elliott stated that she thought that sometime in the future it would be appropriate for the Society to undertake some planting, preferably trees, at Swarthmore Arboretum.

The President announced that twenty-six persons had requested literature about the Charleston Pilgrimage, April 4 - 7, which the Society is sponsoring in conjunction with the Horticultural Society of New York, but that no definite acceptances have yet been recorded.

Attention was called to the 1931 Year Book which had just come from the printer, and upon motion the following resolution thanking Miss Mary Evans for editing it was adopted:

"The Executive Council of The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society desires to express to Miss Mary Evans its grateful appreciation of her work in editing the 1931 Year Book of the Society. The Council considers the current Year Book the most attractive in appearance and the most comprehensive in contents ever published by the Society".

The Secretary announced that the American Peony Society wished to know if the James Boyd Memorial Medal was to be offered again this year for the most outstanding exhibit in the Peony Show which is to be held in Fort Wayne, Indiana. The President appointed a Committee composed of Mr. Wister, Mr. Farnum and Mr. Furness to decide this matter. (This Committee later agreed that the award should be offered in the same way as last year).

A letter to Mr. S. S. Pennock, Treasurer, which he requested should be referred to the Council, was read by the Secretary. It was from the Dean of Swarthmore College, inviting Mr. Pennock to represent the Society on the 1931 committee to award the Arthur Hoyt Scott Garden and Horticultural medal and cash prize. With the approval of the Council, the President appointed Mr. Pennock to act as the Society's representative.

The Secretary reported that he had a letter from The Historical Society of Pennsylvania, signed by John Frederick Lewis, President, announcing that it was proposed to celebrate in 1932 the 250th Anniversary of the Foundation of Pennsylvania and the first coming of William Penn to America, and requesting that the Society's President serve on a committee of arrangements and that two other representatives be appointed from the Society. A preliminary meeting to which the President is invited will be held on Monday evening, April 30th, at the Historical Society. The President promised that he would take care of the matter. (He has since appointed Mr. William J. Serrill and Mr. S. S. Pennock as members of the Committee and Mr. John C. Wister as Alternate).

There being no further business, the meeting on motion, adjourned.

Secretary

John C. Wister

April 15, 1931.

A regular meeting of the Executive Council of The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society was held in the rooms of the Society, 1800 Arch Street, on the above date. Those present were: Mr. W. Atlee Burpee, Jr., Mrs. William T. Elliott, Mr. George L. Farnum, Mr. Jay V. Hare, Mr. Henry F. Michell, Mrs. Thomas Newhall, Mr. S. S. Pennock, Mr. William J. Serrill, Mr. W. Hinckle Smith, Mr. C. F. C. Stout and Mr. John Williams.

The President, Mr. C. Frederick C. Stout, was in the Chair.

The following members had notified the Secretary of their inability to be present: Mrs. Edward M. Cheston, Mr. F. E. Dixon, Mr. F. R. Furness, Mr. John P. Habermehl, Mrs. Horatio Gates Lloyd, Mr. J. Franklin McFadden and Mrs. Arthur H. Scott and Mr. John C. Wister.

The minutes of the regular meeting held on March 25th were approved as published and distributed.

Election of new members followed and 115 Annual Members and one Life Member were added to the roll, bringing the total membership to 3100.

In the absence of the Secretary, his report was read as follows: During the month of March, 10 meetings were held in the Council Room, there were 137 general visitors and 84 visitors to the Library. Mr. Rust made two visits to gardens and had six appointments in the rooms of the Society, but most of his time during March was taken up with the Philadelphia Flower Show. He answered many questions from visitors each day at the Show in addition to staging the Society's classes the week before and dismantling them the week after. There were 258 Annual Members added in March and 2 Life Members, and the total membership as of the end of the month was 3056.

The following extract from a letter from Mrs. Horatio Gates Lloyd, Chairman of the Library Committee, was read by the Librarian -

"I regret very much that I will not be able to attend the meeting of the Executive Council on Wednesday, April 15th, as I will be in the South. I would like to report on the amount collected from the Council for the purchase of Professor Sargent's "North American Silva". If you will remember at the last Council meeting I was empowered to write each member for such subscriptions as they felt interested enough to give. Up to date I have received \$215.00 from 13 members, which is most gratifying as there are many calls and every one has different interests".

Mrs. Lloyd also called attention in her letter to two supplementary volumes to this set of books entitled "Trees and Shrubs", which were presented to the Library by Mr. Hare since the last Council meeting. Upon motion of Mr. Farnum a unanimous vote of thanks was extended to Mr. Hare.

Mr. George L. Farnum, Chairman, reported for the Exhibition Committee. He stated that one of the principal things he wished to tell the Council was that progress has been made in persuading the gardeners once more to take an active part in the Society's Shows. He said that he had called on two leading Main Line gardeners in the local gardeners' association, Messrs. MacLeod and Hamilton, the latter being secretary of the association, and had been promised their help in stimulating the interest of the gardeners if special classes for gardeners

and superintendents of estates, with cash prizes, are arranged for the June Show. The following week Mr. Hamilton presented the matter at a meeting of the gardeners' association, and a committee of gardeners was appointed to meet Mr. Farnum and Mr. Hare. This meeting was held and proved most pleasant, all present agreeing to co-operate in making these special classes a success in the Society's next Show.

Mr. Farnum then read in detail the schedule, as prepared by Mr. Hare and approved by the committee, for the Peony and Spring Show which will be held in Trevoze on June 2nd and 3rd, with the co-operation of the Trevoze Horticultural Society and the other organizations of the Garden Club Federation of Pennsylvania. Mr. Farnum also read the tentative schedule which he has prepared for the Dahlia Show to be held in Bryn Mawr in September.

Upon motion of Mr. Serrill, the report of the Exhibition Committee was accepted and the action of the Committee approved.

In connection with the Philadelphia Flower Show, the following letter to the President from Mrs. William T. Elliott, Chairman of the Council for Preservation of Natural Beauty in Pennsylvania, was read:

"A suggestion was made by Mrs. John Hampton Barnes at the Council for Preservation of Natural Beauty in Pennsylvania's meeting last Monday that the exhibit of The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society next year at the Flower Show in March would be one devoted to Conservation, and staged by the Committee who staged the very lovely Courtyard of this season. Much space and expenditure was given the Conservation exhibit at the New York Show this year in which a woodland, Bird Sanctuary and other novel effects were portrayed. Personally, I think it an excellent idea - one with a real purpose. Will you kindly give this suggestion consideration?"

The matter was referred by the President to the Exhibition Committee.

The President announced that seven members of the Society had joined the New York group on April 9th to make the Charleston Pilgrimage. There were about sixty in the party and the Philadelphia members have reported that it was a delightful trip. (Several private gardens as well as Middleton Place and Magnolia Gardens were visited under the guidance of Mr. Leonard Barron of New York, and a cypress swamp was one of the unusual places seen. On the return trip several hours were spent viewing the Japanese cherry blossoms and private gardens in Washington).

Mr. William J. Serrill, Vice-President, reported that at the President's request he had attended the preliminary meeting at the Historical Society to consider plans for the celebration of the two hundred and fiftieth anniversary of Penn's coming to Philadelphia. He said that many ways of marking the occasion were mentioned by those present and that he, as the Society's delegate, had suggested that an arboretum would be a fitting tribute to William Penn.

The President accounted that there would be a meeting on the afternoon of April sixteenth, at the Engineers' Club, to hear a report by the "35 Mile Committee" of the Regional Planning Federation, preceded by a luncheon given by the Civic Club. He appointed Mr. Serrill to represent the Society on this occasion.

A meeting was also announced which will be held at the Academy of Natural Sciences on April 21st, at which the Leidy Medal will be presented to Dr. William Morton Wheeler of Harvard University. The President said he would try to attend.

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The President stated that Mr. Wister had promised to keep the rooms of the Society supplied with Daffodils and other spring flowers during the next month. He reminded the members that flowers for the rooms are most acceptable and asked those who are willing to donate them for certain periods to take the matter up with the office.

There being no further business, the meeting on motion, adjourned.

J. A. Root

President.

Secretary of the meeting.

A regular meeting of the Executive Council of The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society was held in the rooms of the Society, 1600 Arch Street, on the above date. Those present were: Mrs. Edward M. Cheston, Mr. George L. Farnum, Mr. Jay V. Hare, Mr. Henry F. Michell, Mr. William J. Serrill, Mr. W. Hinckle Smith, Mr. C. F. C. Stout and Mr. John C. Wister.

The President, Mr. C. Frederick C. Stout, was in the Chair.

The following members had notified the Secretary of their inability to be present: Mrs. William T. Elliott, Mr. F. R. Furness, Mrs. Horatio Gates Lloyd, Mr. S. S. Pennock, Mrs. Arthur H. Scott and Mr. John Williams.

The minutes of the regular meeting held on April 15th were approved as published and distributed.

The names of 343 persons proposed for Annual Membership and two proposed for Life Membership were submitted, and these persons were duly elected. This is the largest number ever elected at a single meeting, and brings the total membership to 3430 as of today.

The Secretary reported as follows: During the month of April, 9 meetings were held in the Council Room, there were 85 visitors to the offices and 67 persons who used the library. Mr. Rust made 21 visits to gardens and gave two garden talks - one in Ardmore and one in Wilmington.

The Secretary reported that the use of the Council Room had been extended to the Pennsylvania Forestry Association. He reported also that the Association had offered to house their library with us if space could be found for it. The Council felt that it might be possible later on to acquire more space for the library, and the President asked the Secretary to inspect the books of the Pennsylvania Forestry Association and then to report to Mrs. Lloyd, Chairman of the Library Committee, as to whether it would be desirable to make a special effort to take over the care of them. The President stated in this connection that the lease to our present quarters will expire in September, 1932 and said he thought that when the question of renewing it comes up, it would be well to find out if the owners of the building would consider giving us more floor space at the same rental. He and other members of the Council feel that the present rent is high compared to space in other buildings in good locations. The present lease was negotiated in 1927 when office rents were much higher than they are at present.

A letter from Mrs. H. G. Lloyd, Chairman of the Library Committee was read by the Secretary in her absence. She reported that the fourteen volumes of Charles Sprague Sargent's "Silva of North America" are now on our shelves, and that due to the generosity of the Council, the entire amount of their purchase price (\$350.00) has been collected. She added that "With Mr. Hare's generous addition of the supplementary volumes, we have a very complete thing which will be much enhanced in value as the years go on".

Mr. George L. Farnum, Chairman of the Exhibition Committee, reported that most satisfactory arrangements with the Philadelphia Branch of the Gardeners' Association have been made. Two meetings were held - one an informal meeting at Mr. Hare's office, and the other here in the Council Room. The latter was attended by an officially appointed Committee of the Gardeners (Mr. Alex MacLeod, Mr. John Tonkin and Mr. Frederick Moore) who met to discuss the Fall Dahlia Show, and were welcomed by Mr. Stout. The prizes were arranged to their satisfaction and were within the limit of \$100.00 approved by the Society. The gardeners seemed anxious

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to meet our Committee half way and Mr. Farnum looks forward to their active co-operation with pleasure and interest.

Mr. Farnum said he would like to consult the Council about adopting a Certificate of Merit for award at the Society's exhibitions, and submitted samples of what he had in mind. After examination of these and discussion of the matter, upon motion of Mr. Michell, it was

RESOLVED, That Mr. Farnum's report be received and that the Society adopt a Certificate of Merit for award at its Shows.

The President reported that the Society had again been asked to co-operate with the movement of "Flowers for the Flowerless", and that Friday morning in June have been assigned to the Society's Committee and that their work of collecting and distributing flowers and plants will take place at a booth in the new Broad Street Suburban Station of the Pennsylvania Railroad. With the Council's approval, he appointed Mrs. Charles F. Derby Chairman of the Committee, and Mrs. Lynwood R; Holmes and Mrs. Philip Chase as the other members. It is hoped that our members will help the Committee by bringing flowers to the booth.

The President spoke of the proposed garden on the lot No. 246 South Third Street, south of the Powel House, which mansion the Philadelphia Society for the Preservation of Landmarks is endeavoring to save. Mrs. Cheston explained that Miss Frances Wister had asked her if the Garden Clubs would be interested in undertaking to plant a garden in the lot adjoining the Powel House. She had told Miss Wister she felt The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society would be a far more suitable and dignified sponsor of such a garden than any other organization. She said that her idea was that the garden should be under the supervision of the Society and planned by them but in no way financed by the Society.

Upon motion of Mr. Farnum, it was

RESOLVED, That The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society approach the Philadelphia Society for the Preservation of Landmarks with the offer to plan and supervise original planting of garden in lot adjacent to Powel House, The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society to be in no way financially responsible for plants, material or upkeep, but to offer to the Landmark Society all the facilities at its disposal.

The Secretary was instructed to send a copy of the Resolution to Miss Frances A. Wister, Chairman, Organization Committee of the Philadelphia Society for the Preservation of Landmarks.

Mr. Farnum said he would like to announce that the dates of the Hardy Chrysanthemum Exhibition have been fixed for the 28th and 29th of October, about a week earlier than usual in an effort to avoid early frosts.

The President spoke of the 200th Anniversary Celebration of the founding of John Bartram's Garden which will take place on June 5th and 6th. The Secretary read a letter from Mrs. Bayard Henry, Chairman of the John Bartram Association, expressing the thanks of her Committee for the \$500.00 contribution which the Society had made this year to the planting at the Garden. He said that invitations had been sent to all of the Council members, and that persons prominent in the promotion of horticulture and celebrated botanists both here and abroad had been

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invited to the Celebration. It is planned to make it a noteworthy event.

The President said that on behalf of the Council, he would like to express appreciation to Mrs. Newhall, Mrs. Lloyd and Mr. Wister for the lovely spring flowers which they had sent to the rooms during the last month or more.

As there was no further business, the meeting, on motion, adjourned.

John C. Wister
Secretary

September 16, 1931.

A regular meeting of the Executive Council of The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society was called on September 16th, in the Society's rooms, 1600 Arch Street, but on account of lack of a quorum, the meeting was adjourned.

William J. Serrill,
Vice-President.

A regular meeting of the Executive Council of The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society was held in the rooms of the Society, 1600 Arch Street, on the above date. Those present were Mr. Morris R. Bockius, Mrs. William T. Elliott, Mr. George L. Farnum, Mr. Jay V. Hare, Mrs. Horatio Gates Lloyd, Mrs. Thomas Newhall, Mr. S. S. Pennock, Mr. William J. Serrill, Mr. W. Hinckle Smith, Mr. C. F. C. Stout, Mr. John Williams, and Mr. John C. Wister.

The President, Mr. C. Frederick C. Stout, was in the Chair.

The following members had notified the Secretary of their inability to be present: Mr. Fitz Eugene Dixon, Mr. Fairman R. Furness, Mr. John P. Habermehl, Mr. Henry F. Michell and Mrs. Arthur H. Scott.

The minutes of the regular meeting held on May 20th were approved as published and distributed. The meeting called for September 16th was adjourned on account of lack of a quorum.

Lists containing 184 names were submitted and these persons were elected to membership - one, Mr. George D. Widener, as a Life Member and 183 as Annual Members. The new members bring the total membership of the Society to 3493, as compared with 2724 at the same time last year, or a net gain of 769.

The Secretary reported that there had been 18 meetings in the rooms during the summer, 231 general visitors and 214 visitors to the library. He stated that Mr. Gust judged fifteen Flower Shows in the last few months in addition to 39 visits to members' gardens.

The President stated that two of the Council members wished to tender their resignations - Mrs. Edward M. Cheston, on account of additional responsibilities this winter, and Mr. Louis Burk, because he is out of town much of the time and cannot perform active duties. These resignations were accepted with regret.

Mr. John Williams, Chairman of the Nominating Committee, presented the following nominations for the Executive Council for 1932, 1933 and 1934, which were accepted:

Mr. John P. Habermehl, Mr. Jay V. Hare, Mr. Alexander MacLeod, Mr. Henry F. Michell, Mrs. Thomas Newhall and Mrs. Arthur H. Scott. The names of all the nominees were filed with the Secretary before October 1st, so that they might be published in the October 15th issue of HORTICULTURE. If no additional names are submitted by fifteen or more members of the Society, in writing, to the Secretary by November 1st, the above-named persons will be elected, by motion, at the next meeting of the Executive Council on November 18th, in accordance with Article VIII of the By-Laws.

Mr. William J. Serrill, Chairman of the Committee on Garden Awards, read the recommendations of his Committee as follows:

A GOLD MEDAL to Mr. and Mrs. Fitz Eugene Dixon of "Ronaele Manor," Elkins Park, for a very beautiful estate of about 120 acres. Its rolling lawns and superb old trees, together with its beautiful landscaping, are deserving of both admiration and praise; in the spring millions of narcissus blooms adorn the fine stretches of woodland. In close proximity to the house, which is a replica of Compton Wynyates, the residence of the Marchioness of Northampton, in Warwickshire, England, are the gardens both formal and informal, including borders, flower gardens, rock gardens, a picturesque and exquisitely planted pool, and a charming vista to a stone tower "ruin," forming a perfect whole. The greenhouses contain one of the finest collections of orchids in the country.

Mr. and Mrs. Dixon take great interest in their estate and give it much personal supervision.

A SILVER MEDAL to Mr. William Caner Wiederseim of "Aysgarth," Abington, for the magnificent display of old garden boxwood which dominates his large garden, and which is in such perfect keeping with the spacious lawn, the stately trees and the picturesque two-hundred-year-old stone dwelling house. There are old prints showing the design of its original gardens; these have been reclaimed and replanted with consummate skill by Mr. Thomas Sears, and the romance and restfulness of other days has been conserved. The charm which only old age can impart is on this place and, with faultless taste, the garden has been designed and developed so as to enhance this peculiar charm.

A SILVER MEDAL to Mr. and Mrs. Grenville Dodge Montgomery of "Carrington," Bryn Mawr, for a hillside garden of great charm, which is an outstanding achievement of both skill and knowledge. Built on a barren hillside - with a beautiful grove of fine trees at one end - less than two years ago, it is already a finished product, giving no sign of its extreme youth. Mr. and Mrs. Montgomery achieved this remarkable effect themselves with the aid of their architect, and personally selected every tree and shrub. The plant material was all of mature age and choice specimens, and having already established itself, looks as if it had been there always.

A SILVER MEDAL to Mr. and Mrs. Wharton Sinkler of "Thornbury," Elkins Park, for a small enclosed garden, in which the gardener's art reaches its acme of perfection. The splendid boxwood, symmetrically planted in an intricate pattern, imparts a sense of age; the exquisite coloring attests to a faultless taste; the plant material indicates a thorough knowledge; the maintenance is perfect. Intimacy and charm are the qualities which characterize this gem of a garden.

A BRONZE MEDAL to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Sewell of "Ardnaree," Rydal, for the unique treatment of an arbor-covered terrace. This arbor, which extends the length of the house, is completely adorned and ceiled, for one half of its length with Bougainvillea, and for the other half ~~with its length~~ with Japanese Wistaria, the suspended blossoms of which, with their great length, from an unusually beautiful effect which it is impossible to describe. Extended walks, skillfully planted, from each end of the terrace, and a sloping pasture meadow in front, complete this unusual garden. It is one of the places you want to live with.

A BRONZE MEDAL to Mr. and Mrs. J. Andrews Harris, Jr., of Chestnut Hill, for an unpretentious garden set in front of the terrace of this beautiful replica of a famous dwelling house - Sulgrave Manor. The gray of low stone retaining walls and the blooms of soft colors which harmonize with it characterize this garden. No false note of color impairs its serene beauty. The plant material and coloring is the owner's own and is both exquisite and restful. This simple garden is surely a constant source of pleasure to its owners and their friends.

A GARDEN CERTIFICATE to Mr. and Mrs. Louis Rodman Page, of Bryn Mawr, in recognition of the skill and taste displayed in the creation of their new garden, which promises in a few years to become one of great beauty and charm.

Upon motion of Mrs. Newhall, duly seconded, Mr. Serrill's report was accepted and the recommendations approved.

Mr. Serrill then stated that he wished to submit another recommendation of his Committee; namely, to make a special award to Mr. and Mrs. Pierre S. duPont, for their outstanding estate "Longwood." He explained that his Committee favored a pair of silver vases for this award. However, after considering the matter, the Council decided that the Centenary Gold Medal, which has only been awarded twice -- first to Mr. Boyd on the occasion of the Society's Centennial Celebration and second to the Massachusetts Horticultural Society at the time of their Centennial -- would be ^{more} a fitting tribute. Upon motion of Mr. Bockius, duly seconded, it was voted to award the Centenary Gold Medal to Mr. and Mrs. Pierre S. duPont to be accompanied by the following citation recommended by the Garden Committee:

A SPECIAL AWARD of the Centenary Gold Medal (awarded on only two occasions before) ~~was made~~ to Mr. and Mrs. Pierre S. duPont of "Longwood," Kennett Square, Pa., in recognition of their unique service to the cause of horticulture. The great conservatory ballroom, equipped with stage and pipe organ and approached through a "garden" with blooming flowers and green grass maintained throughout the winter months, is original in design and in plant decoration. The greenhouses, covering many acres, contain a great variety of plants and fruits. The great formal green outdoor garden, with its changing fountains and mobile lighting effects in color, is in extent and variety believed to surpass anything of its kind. The perennial gardens, in charming succession, extend in terrace after terrace down a gentle hillside to a pair of mirror-like ponds nestled in an idyllic forest-enclosed valley. At the foot of this valley lies a strictly formal rectangular sunken garden with central pool, viewed from an elevated esplanade at one end. This sunken garden is elaborately planted and is so equipped with piping that, by means of a "keyboard," a great variety of water sprays and fountains, in countless ever-changing combinations enchant the eye with their beauty.

It was unanimously voted to thank the Committee on Garden Awards for their splendid work.

Mr. Farnum, Chairman of the Exhibition Committee, reported for his Committee. He said that the Dahlia Exhibition in Bryn Mawr on September 25th and 26th had been very successful, and that plans were well under way for the Hardy Chrysanthemum Show to be held on October 28th and 29th on the sixth floor of this building. Mr. Farnum explained that the main thing he wished to place before the Council at this meeting was the need to formulate plans for the Society's part in the Philadelphia Flower Show next March. As he will not be in the city this winter, he wishes to be relieved of the responsibility of Chairmanship but hopes to see a responsible Committee in charge and starting to function at an early date. The President appointed a preliminary committee, composed of Mrs. Elliott, Mrs. Newhall and Mr. Hare, and asked them to meet as soon as possible and recommend a permanent Committee to carry through the Society's plans for the Philadelphia Flower Show.

The Secretary read a letter from Mrs. Elliott, Chairman of the Council for Preservation of Natural Beauty in Pennsylvania, suggesting that the Society make an artistic Conservation display as its own exhibit at this Show and stating that she thought the same Committee that so ably designed and staged the Norman Court-Yard for the Society last year, would undertake a Conservation exhibit this year.

It was voted that such an exhibit should be made by the Society at the Philadelphia Flower Show in 1932.

The President announced that the Annual Meeting will be held on November 18th, and that the Lecture Committee proposes to substitute a Horticultural Forum, probably followed by tea, for the lecture by Miss Eleanour Sinclair Rohde which had recently been cancelled owing to Miss Rohde's illness.

Mrs. Elliott, Chairman of the Lecture Committee, reported that a series of three lectures on Tuesday afternoons in January and February is being planned.

A vote of thanks was extended to Mrs. Arthur H. Scott and Mr. George L. Farnum for representing the Society at the fall meeting of the Garden Club Federation of Pennsylvania, in Harrisburg, on October 7th and 8th. Mrs. Newhall, President of the Federation, reported that the meeting had been extremely interesting and that thirty-nine of the fifty-nine clubs were represented. She and Mrs. Elliott highly commended Mr. Rust's services in connection with the Question Box which was conducted at one of the sessions.

The question of holding a Judges' Course sometime this coming winter was brought up, and Mrs. Newhall said she thought it would be very popular among Garden Club members if the expenses could be held down to \$10.00 per person. The cost of the course was \$20.00 in New York last season but Mr. Wister said that he had consulted Mrs. Wheeler H. Peckham, of New Rochelle, who is planning courses in New York and Boston this winter and she thinks that a registration fee of \$12.00 or \$15.00 per person would cover the cost. Mr. Wister was asked to get more information about the matter as many of the Federation Clubs have been asking for the course.

The President appointed Mrs. Arthur H. Scott and Mr. John C. Wister a special Committee to go into the matter of 1932 Garden Days with a Committee from the School of Horticulture.

The President said that he was glad to announce the following gifts, the donors of which had been properly thanked when the gifts were received:

Curtis's Botanical Magazine (English) complete set, 1787 to date.

Mr. George L. Farnum (Bookcases lent for the above -
Mrs. Horatio Gates Lloyd.)

Nursery list of Bernard McMahon, published about 1800 - Mr. E. C.

Flowers Gladioli - every week for two months - Mr. W. Atlee
Burpee, Jr.

Dahlias - on several occasions - Mr. George L. Farnum.
Marigolds - Mrs. Edgar T. Wherry.

Blue flower vase - Mrs. J. Gordon Fetterman.

Mrs. Lloyd, Chairman of the Library Committee, expressed the Council's appreciation of Mr. Farnum's gift of Curtis's Botanical Magazine and said that the volumes would be a most fitting and valuable addition to the library.

In connection with the library, Mr. Stout explained that plans were under foot to secure additional space so that there might be adequate room for this department and that he hoped very much that the Society would be able to secure 900 additional square feet in the adjoining wing at no advance in rental.

As there was no further business, the meeting on motion, adjourned.

John C. Wister

Secretary.

A regular meeting of the Executive Council of The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society was held in the rooms of the Society, 1600 Arch Street, on the above date. Those present were Mrs. Thomas Newhall, Mr. W. Atlee Burpee, Jr., Mr. George L. Farnum, Mr. Fairman R. Furness, Mr. John P. Habermehl, Mr. Jay V. Hare, Mr. Henry F. Michell, Mr. J. Franklin McFadden, Mr. S. S. Pennock, Mr. W. Hinckle Smith, Mr. C. F. C. Stout and Mr. John C. Wister.

The President, Mr. C. F. C. Stout, was in the Chair.

The following members had notified the Secretary of their inability to be present: Mrs. William T. Elliott, Mrs. Horatio Gates Lloyd, and Mr. John Williams.

The minutes of the regular meeting held on October 21st were approved as published and distributed.

Seventeen persons were proposed for Annual Membership and duly elected. It was noted that Mrs. Eugene duPont had transferred from Annual to Life Membership during the past month.

The Secretary reported the total membership as of November 18th to be 3509, as compared to 2704 a year ago. There were 79 general visitors during the month, 50 to the Library, and 8 meetings in the Council Room. Mr. Rust made 7 visits to the gardens of members and several other persons consulted him here in the offices.

The following persons whose names were submitted by the Nominating Committee at the last meeting were elected to serve on the Executive Council during the years 1932, '33, '34: Mrs. Thomas Newhall, Mrs. Arthur H. Scott, Mr. John P. Habermehl, Mr. Jay V. Hare, Mr. Alexander MacLeod, and Mr. Henry F. Michell.

Upon motion of Mrs. Newhall, the following officers of the Massachusetts Horticultural Society and The Horticultural Society of New York were elected Honorary Members: Mr. Edwin S. Webster, President, Mr. Edward I. Farrington, Secretary, and Mr. John S. Ames, Treasurer, from the Massachusetts Society, and Mr. Richardson Wright, Secretary and Mr. Samuel R. Bertron, Treasurer, from the New York Society. (Mr. T. A. Havemeyer, President of the New York Society was already an Honorary Member.)

The President said he would like to bring before the Council the desirability of increasing our Endowment Fund, and that he believed the best way to accomplish this would be to offer various classes of membership in the higher denominations. He read the following scale as published in the Year Book of the Academy of Natural Sciences:

Patrons - \$50,000; Benefactors - \$10,000; Sustaining Members - \$1,000;
Associate Sustaining Members - \$500; Life Members - \$200;
Contributing Members - \$25. annually - Annual Members - \$10.

Mr. McFadden expressed the opinion that it would not be necessary to have so many classes for our organization, and Mr. Farnum proposed the following scale as suitable to our needs, and more in line with what we might have a reasonable right to expect:

Patrons- \$10,000; Benefactors- \$5,000; Sustaining Members - \$1,000;
Life Members - \$100; Annual Members - \$3.

It was pointed out that the principal way of advertising such classes would be through the Year Book, and that at this time of business depression this would be the only medium employed. The Secretary spoke of the necessity of amending the By-Laws if additional classes of membership were decided upon or any change made in amount of existing dues, and stated that in order to do this a notice of the proposed amendment must be sent with the notice of the meeting. He was instructed to send such a notice in connection with the next meeting. Many of the members were of the opinion that \$3.00 is very small for Annual Dues but the President explained that if the dues are raised to \$5.00, particularly at this time, we shall lose a certain proportion of members and said that he hoped the change would not be seriously considered until the membership reaches at least 5,000. The present Life Membership fee of \$50.00 was considered out of line with the Annual Dues of \$3.00, and \$100.00 was thought more appropriate.

The President announced that Mr. Douglas Gilchrist had submitted an attractive sketch of a container for the Centenary Medal awarded to the Pierre duPonts which would cost about \$50.00, and that he had been authorized to proceed with the work.

In connection with additional space for the Library, the President said that he had succeeded in inducing the lessors of this building to include 900 extra square feet in our floor space at no extra cost, if another lease is executed to follow the one now in effect which expires next October. He asked if he had the approval of the Council to proceed with negotiations for another lease for either a three or five year period, and he was given authority to go ahead on whatever basis he thought proper. He also mentioned an offer from the Elverson Building to lease to the Society part of the twelfth floor. (This has since been investigated and we find that the change can be made at a great saving in rent, against which must be considered the relatively inconvenient location.)

The Secretary read two letters from Dr. J. Horace McFarland, asking this Society to sponsor a movement to establish a municipal rose garden in Fairmount Park. The Council agreed that this would be an excellent thing for the city but that the Society could not afford to be financially responsible for it. However, it was decided to refer Dr. McFarland's suggestion to the Park Commission, with a recommendation from this Society that his ideas be carried out, and the President appointed Mr. J. Franklin McFadden and Mr. W. Hinckle Smith as a Committee to take up the matter with the Commission.

The Secretary mentioned the vacancy on the Council due to the resignation of Mr. Burk and said that he wished to second the proposal made by Mr. Pennock at the last meeting to elect Dr. J. Horace McFarland, but as the time was limited owing to the necessity of starting the Annual Meeting at 3 o'clock, the President asked to have this matter wait until the December Council Meeting. He asked the members to consider the matter and to bring any additional names and be prepared to vote at that meeting.

The Executive Council, then, on motion, adjourned.

John C. Wister

Secretary.

November 18, 1931.

THE ANNUAL MEETING of THE PENNSYLVANIA HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY was held on the sixteenth floor of the Insurance Company of North America Building, 1600 Arch Street, at 3 o'clock, on the above date.

The President, Mr. C. Frederick C. Stout, was in the Chair, and seventy members were present.

After a brief address of welcome, the President requested the Secretary to report to the meeting the election of members to serve on the Executive Council during the years 1932, '33 and '34, and added that as no additional nominations had been made, the Executive Council elected the candidates nominated by the Committee, who were:

Mr. John P. Habermehl, Mr. Jay V. Hare, Mr. Alexander MacLeod, Mr. Henry F. Michell, Mrs. Thomas Newhall, Mrs. Arthur H. Scott.

The President addressed the members as follows:

"In this day and hour of so much financial and economic distress wherever we turn, it is indeed a great pleasure and privilege for me to report to you that your Society has been able to maintain its financial status and prosecute its mission with even greater vigor and scope than heretofore. And if our success is to be measured by popular favor, the fact that we have taken in an additional thousand members, and lost but two hundred is significant not only of the need for our existence but also a recognition of the help and inspiration which the work of this Society is giving forth in the great field of horticulture. Our membership today stands at 3,500. Last year I said to you, the Society should have at least 5,000 members. To obtain this goal we need 1,500 new members. It would indeed be easy to acquire these if all of our members would exert their influence on one or more of their friends. The Society actually spends about \$8.00 for the services which it makes available to its members for \$3.00. The Society cannot enrich itself financially only by acquiring new members, but should seed endowments and legacies that can be placed in trust. We have a fine example of this in the Schaffer Memorial.

"I wish to announce the gift of a complete set of Curtis's Botanical Magazine, 1787 - 1926, from Mr. Farnum, and Sargent's "Trees and Shrubs," in two volumes, from Mr. Hare, to the Library. In this connection, I wish to say the Library has outgrown its present quarters. This, coupled with the many activities that take place in the offices of the Society, has compelled us to look for more room and we have concluded negotiations with the lessors of our offices for an addition of 900 square feet, and in renewing our lease we will get this additional without any advance of rent. It is going to take quite a little money for the changes that will have to be made in furnishings. Many of you can make contributions to this expense and should take it up with the Library Committee.

"Your Society cooperated with the John Bartram Association, the Academy of Natural Sciences and the American Philosophical Society in observing the 200th Anniversary of the founding of John Bartram's Garden, June 5th and June 6th last. Your Society contributed \$500.00 toward the replanting of trees and shrubs in the Garden.

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"We make an annual contribution of \$100.00 toward the Fund that is being built up to fight Rose Canker at Ithaca, N. Y., sponsored by the American Rose Society and Cornell University.

"We also contributed \$625.00 to the School of Horticulture at Ambler in exchange for privilege of Garden Days.

"The Society cooperated with the Philadelphia Flower Show Association in the presentation of their great spring exhibit held in the month of March at the Commercial Museum, West Philadelphia. The Philadelphia Flower Show Association has again accorded our members the privilege of two tickets for this Show.

"We have maintained friendly relations with the Horticultural Societies of New York and Massachusetts and exchanged gold medals with them at important Flower Shows, as we did in previous years. In this connection, I regret indeed to note the passing of Mr. Albert C. Burrage, President of the Massachusetts Horticultural Society.

"The Centenary Gold Medal of this Society was first given to Mr. Boyd for his life work in the interests of this Society, and then two years later to the Massachusetts Horticultural Society when it commemorated its Centennial Anniversary. Your Council at the last meeting awarded this medal for the third time to Mr. and Mrs. Pierrs S. duPont for their accomplishments in the field of horticulture as expressed at their country estate, "Longwood." For its beauty, grandeur, and its vast collection of specimens and rare plants, it is outstanding and unexcelled.

"The office force is now busy in collecting the data for our Year Book which we hope to make more useful and attractive than ever before.

"The Society is particularly fortunate in having for its Secretary such an able and outstanding man as Mr. John C. Wister. I cannot say too much for the contribution which he has made and is making to the Society, not only of his time but his enlightened and technical knowledge of horticulture.

"In closing, I wish to extend my appreciation and thanks to the Chairmen and members of the various Committees who have done and are doing outstanding work in their own particular field, and also the executive force for the loyal and splendid support which they have given to me in the efforts which we have put forth."

The Secretary stated that he was glad to report some additional elections in another class of membership - namely, the active officers of the Horticultural Societies of Massachusetts and New York to Honorary Membership. These persons were: Mr. Edwin S. Webster, President; - Mr. Edward I. Farrington; - Secretary; - Mr. John S. Ames, Treasurer, from the Massachusetts Society, and Mr. Richardson Wright, Secretary - and Mr. Samuel R. Bertron, Treasurer, from the New York Society. He added that the president of the New York Society, Mr. T. A. Havemeyer, was already enrolled as a Life Member of this Society.

The Secretary next presented his report for the current year, as follows:.

"It is gratifying to report that your Society has made such a splendid growth this past year in spite of general business conditions. There has

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been a corresponding increase in use of the rooms and the Library and also, I am glad to report, in the number of meetings held in our Board Room. As you know, our quarters are at the disposal of allied organizations for their meetings and among those who use our Board Room in this way are: The John Bartram Association, the Council for the Preservation of Natural Beauty in Pennsylvania, Conservation and Wild Flower Committees, Keystone Branch of the Woman's National Farm and Garden Association, the Garden Club Federation of Pennsylvania, the Pennsylvania Forestry Association, the Executive Board of the Philadelphia Flower Show Association, the School of Horticulture's Executive Board, and various Garden Club Committees.

"Our relations with our sister Societies of New York and Massachusetts continue to be most friendly. The magazine HORTICULTURE, sponsored by the three Societies but edited and published by the Massachusetts Society, is probably the most outstanding privilege offered to the members of these three organizations, and we are proud that we are able to include it in every member's subscription.

"In regard to our finances, the Treasurer asks me to tell you that he will not make a formal report this afternoon as his complete statement will be published in the Year Book later on. However, he would like me to mention to you that your Society is in good condition and has not shared so far, to any appreciable extent in the prevailing depression. It looks now as we shall be able to keep within the budget this year, which is encouraging as we expect to incur some unusual expenses next year.

"I shall not attempt to enumerate in this report the various activities engaged in during the year, as they also will be set forth in detail in the various Committee reports in the Year Book, but I should like to mention some of the more important and interesting things that have been accomplished.

"Mr. Stout has told you that the Library has grown out of its present quarters, and that within a few months or so we hope to have it installed in its new location. We hope that its attractive new home will encourage more members to use its splendid books and periodicals. The Library has been the recipient of some important books during the year - first, Professor Sargent's 'North American Silva,' in fourteen volumes, was presented by the Executive Council. As our President has told you, two supplementary volumes, 'Trees and Shrubs,' were given by one of the members of our Council, Mr. Jay V. Hare, from his own collection, to complete the Society's set, and Mr. George L. Farnum, another member of the Council, gave the Society a complete set of Curtis's Botanical Magazine, the first issue of which was published in 1787. There are about 135 volumes altogether, and the books constitute an outstanding and valuable addition to the library. This is the most important gift the Library has ever had, and we are all very grateful to Mr. Farnum.

"The Library Committee published a catalogue of the books last spring and the cost of this cut pretty deeply into their appropriation for the year, so that they were curtailed in the purchase of books and welcomed donations with more than usual gratitude. The catalogue was not distributed to every member, as the cost of printing was high and it was felt that a certain proportion of the members would have no occasion to use it, but copies are available for all who are interested, and may be obtained, without cost, at any time from the librarian.

"The Lecture Committee is planning a series of three lectures for January and February next, and announcement of these will be made around the first of the year. Notices of the lectures and all other activities are sent to all members, but I might remind you that our events are also announced in advance in HORTICULTURE and I would refer you to the regular space assigned to our Society on the inside of the back cover for all items of general interest to members.

"This past spring an experiment was tried of holding the Society's Peony and Spring Flower Show jointly with that of the Trevoise Horticultural Society, upon the invitation of that organization. The exhibition was held in Trevoise and was an interesting and creditable one, but it was so far for many of our exhibitors to carry their exhibits that it would hardly seem fair to ask them to go to distant suburban territory in different direction every year. However, if a suitable hall cannot be found that is fairly accessible to the majority of our exhibitors, this plan may be the best that is available.

"The Dahila Show was held in conjunction with the Bryn Mawr Horse Show in Bryn Mawr and perfect weather the first day made an outdoor Show most alluring, but a steady downpour of rain the second day resulted, naturally, in an almost empty tent as far as spectators were concerned.

The Philadelphia Flower Show in March, in which this Society co-operated as usual, was, I believe, the most beautiful yet staged by the Flower Show Association. The Society sponsored classes which were as always a very popular feature of the Show, and also, through the courtesy of the Four Garden Clubs which have always been closely associated with the Society's exhibitions, staged an exhibit of a Courtyard in the French Manner.

"The Philadelphia Flower Show Association in the past has very generously allowed us to give two tickets to each of our members for this exhibition, but as we are growing so rapidly there has been a question in their minds as to whether they were justified in keeping up this practice indefinitely. I am glad to report that at their first meeting in preparation for the 1932 Show (which will be held March 7-12, inclusive), they voted that we might again offer two tickets to our entire membership.

"This year there were eleven Garden Days, with 57 Gardens, opened on certain Saturdays in the spring, early summer and autumn, and our members attended them in greater numbers than ever before. Perhaps most of you realize that these Days are under the auspices of the School of Horticulture and that this Society is a co-operating agency. For several years both the School and the Society conducted series of these Garden Days, but finally in order to avoid duplication it seemed simpler for the Society to give up the affairs and to co-operate in the School's Days. The School conducts the series in order to raise money for current expenses and the Days are an important source of revenue, and the Society therefore contributes to the School for the privilege of admission to our members.

"I hope everyone realizes by this time that Mr. Rust, our gardening consultant, is at the service of all our members, and that no garden is too unimportant for him to visit nor no problem is too insignificant to consult him about. Our new members and members with very small gardens seem to be rather reluctant to bother him with their questions, but I assure you he will be very happy to help in any way he can. This afternoon we are trying something rather new for us in a horticultural forum or round table, and Mr. Rust and others are here at hand to help us answer your questions. If the members like this kind of a meeting and would welcome them at different periods of the year, we shall be glad to arrange them.

"The Horticultural Society of New York invited our members to participate with them in a pilgrimage to Charleston, South Carolina, in April, to visit Magnolia Gardens and Middleton Place when the azaleas were in bloom. Nine of our members availed themselves of the opportunity. They were most enthusiastic about the trip and reported that under Mr. Leonard Barron's guidance, they were able to visit some lovely private gardens and also to view a cypress swamp not seen by the average visitor.

"Our members were also invited to visit Dr. J. Horace McFarland's gardens at 'Breeze Hill' in Harrisburg in early June, when his roses were at their height, and the trip proved well worth-while to those who made it.

"The Garden Club Federation of Pennsylvania, of which this Society is a Charter Member, has been very active this past year and has grown in influence and membership. We have tried to cooperate with them from the beginning in every way possible and are happy to see that they are in such a flourishing condition. At the last Philadelphia Flower Show, the Society arranged a special class open only to members of the Federation. We have been requested by the Federation to use our influence to have a judging course conducted in Philadelphia, at this building if possible, sometime this winter. We are making inquiries about the cost and other details at the present time and it looks as if such a course could be arranged, to last three or four days, at a cost of \$10.00 per person, if a hundred people are interested. The New York Federation presented such a course last winter and are planning another one this season. I hope you will all remember that through your membership in this Society, you are also members of the Federation and are eligible to exhibit in Federation classes in the Flower Show, to enroll in the judging course if it is given, or in anything else that is open to Federation members.

"There is nothing to report to you in regard to Painter Arboretum but I am simply mentioning it as I know that several of you are wondering whether there have been any developments. It is hoped that Mrs. Tyler will wish to properly endow the property and leave it as a memorial to her husband, but she has not shown any inclination to do this so far, although she has deeded a certain portion of the place to her attorney to be given to the public at some future time as a park.

"I am sorry to report that I have no announcement to make of large additions to our endowment fund. Every year we hope that someone who is interested in our work may wish to make it possible for us to broaden our scope and undertake important things that are impossible now on account of lack of funds, but as yet no one has been moved to do it. Some of the things we should like to do if we had the money are:

1. To establish a test garden where scientific experiments could be conducted. An ornamental garden would also be a good feature.
2. To make our library more valuable by buying old and rare books that are available and by buying more of the modern books. There are many horticultural periodicals that the library cannot afford.
3. To increase the number and variety of our lectures and to arrange the subjects in courses - one for beginners and one for more advanced members.
4. To establish a scholarship at the School of Horticulture (as the Girl Scouts are doing) and to be able to help worth-while movements in allied organizations from time to time as they occur.

"Your officers have felt that it is a fitting and nice thing to have flowers in our rooms whenever possible. Therefore, in past years a certain sum was appropriated in the budget for this purpose. This year, however, the officers felt that perhaps the members would like to contribute flowers so that money might be devoted to other things. This is the first time I have had an opportunity to bring the matter to your attention, and if any of you would like to assume responsibility for any particular week or month I shall be very glad if you will communicate with the office and inform them of the period you would like. We take good care of the flowers and if they are brought in on Monday morning, they will usually last through most of the week. Some of the Council members and other members have been very generous this year and I am sure you will all join me in thanking the following persons for the flowers they have provided: Mrs. Horatio Gates Lloyd, Mrs. Thomas Newhall, Mrs. Arthur H. Scott, Mrs. John W. Hutchison, Mrs. C. J. Orth, Mrs. Edgar T. Wherry, Mr. Fitz Eugene Dixon, Mr. George L. Farnum, Mr. S. S. Pennock, Mr. C. F. C. Stout, Mr. W. Atlee Burpee, Jr., Mr. W. H. Ritter and the School of Horticulture.

"During the year we have been sorry to learn of the deaths of 23 of our members. We have also sympathized with the Massachusetts Society in the death of their President, Albert C. Burrage, on June 28th, and with the Horticultural Society of New York in the death of their former Secretary and Treasurer, Frederic R. Newbold, on June 30th. Both of these men gave unselfishly of their time and money for the advancement of horticulture and were outstanding figures in horticultural circles in this country."

The President said that if any members wished to ask questions about any phase of the Society's organization or activities, the officers would endeavor to answer them. However, as no questions were asked, he stated that the remainder of the session would be devoted to a horticultural forum, of which he would ask the Secretary, Mr. Wister, to take charge.

The Secretary announced that Mr. George L. Farnum was present to answer inquiries in regard to Dahlias, Mr. Harold G. Mattoon as an authority on injurious insect pests, Mr. William H. Ritter, hardy chrysanthemums, Mr. David Rust to give information on general gardening subjects, and he, himself, would try to answer questions about Bulbs and Spring Flowers. He stated that several inquiries had been received prior to the meeting, and that they would be answered while the members were writing additional questions about their individual problems.

Many questions were received and over an hour was spent in solving them. The number and character of the inquiries demonstrated that the members were glad of the opportunity afforded.

Finally, the President said a motion to adjourn was in order, but before that he wished to invite all the members to the Society's rooms on the sixth floor where tea would be served.

Upon motion, the meeting adjourned - many members visiting the rooms in accordance with the President's invitation, and others remaining in the meeting-room for further discussion of their problems.

John C. Wister
Secretary.

December 16, 1931.

A regular meeting of the Executive Council of THE PENNSYLVANIA HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY was held in the rooms of the Society, 1600 Arch Street, on the above date. Those present were Mrs. William T. Elliott, Mr. Fairman R. Furness, Mr. John P. Habermehl, Mr. Jay V. Hare, Mrs. Horatio Gates Lloyd, Mr. Henry F. Michell, Mr. S. S. Pennock, Mrs. Arthur H. Scott, Mr. William J. Serrill, Mr. W. Hinckle Smith, Mr. C. F. C. Stout and Mr. John C. Wister.

The President, Mr. C. F. C. Stout, was in the Chair.

The following members had notified the Secretary of their inability to be present: Mr. W. Atlee Burpee, Jr., Mr. George L. Farnum, Mr. J. Franklin McFadden, and Mrs. Thomas Newhall.

The minutes of the regular meeting held on November 18th were approved as published and distributed.

The Secretary reported the total membership as of the above date to be 3520. During the past month there were 100 general visitors, 46 Library visitors and 7 meetings in the Council Room. Mr. Rust made two visits and gave three lectures. The Secretary then presented the following chart to show comparisons year by year since he took office.

	<u>Membership</u>		<u>Mr. Rust</u>			<u>Meetings</u>	<u>Visitors</u>	
		<u>Life Mem.</u>	<u>Visits</u>	<u>Lec.</u>	<u>Judge</u>		<u>Library</u>	<u>General</u>
1927	1344	(Total 83) New Life Mem.						
1928	1711	16				101	286	536
1929	2009	79	119*(1)			22	464	711
1930	2731	51	80	16	11	91	563	734
1931 to Dec. 15	3520	38 (Total 255)	86	11	15	79*(2)	658	863

Note (1) The first year of Mr. Rust's new department, his visits, lectures and judging were all put under one heading.

Note (2) The apparent decrease accounted for by fact that small informal committee meetings are no longer included.

The Secretary stated that at the Annual Meeting, on November 18th, there were 70 members present, the largest number that had attended such a meeting in recent years. After the regular business was concluded, a Question Box was conducted. There were a great many questions and they were answered by Mr. Farnum, Mr. Mattoon, Mr. Ritter and Mr. Rust. The members seemed to like this feature.

The election of Annual Members then took place, and 23 persons, having been duly proposed, were elected. It was noted that Mrs. George H. Houston and Mrs. G. R. Kebmann had transferred from Annual to Life Membership.

The President announced that since the last meeting, the resignation of Mr. John Williams from the Council had been received. The Secretary stated that he and the President had tried to persuade Mr. Williams to change his mind but that they had been unsuccessful. Therefore, upon motion of Mr. W. Hinckle Smith, Mr. Williams' resignation was received with sincere regret and the Secretary was instructed to so advise Mr. Williams.

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The President said that there were now two vacancies on the Council and asked the members if there were any additional names of candidates to be added to the three proposed at previous meetings, namely, Mrs. J. Norman Henry, Dr. J. Horace McFarland and Mr. Eli Kirk Price, and as there were none, an election was held by secret ballot. The Secretary reported Mrs. Henry and Dr. McFarland elected, and he was instructed to notify them at once.

The next business before the meeting was the election of officers. The President left the Chair, and Mr. Henry F. Mitchell, Vice-President, presided. Upon motion of Mr. Hare, the President, Mr. C. Frederick C. Stout, was unanimously re-elected. He expressed his gratitude and resumed the Chair. Upon motion of Mrs. Elliott, the other officers were unanimously re-elected. These were: Mrs. Horatio Gates Lloyd and Mr. William J. Serrill, Vice-Presidents, Mr. Samuel S. Pennock, Treasurer, and Mr. John C. Wister, Secretary.

Brief Committee reports were presented as follows:

Lecture Committee - Mrs. William T. Elliott, Chairman, stated that three lectures have been arranged for January 19th, February 2nd, and February 16th, and that they will be given at 3 o'clock in the afternoon, in the Auditorium of this building. In this connection, the Secretary stated that Mr. Charles K. Hallowell, of the Pennsylvania State College Extension Service had spoken to him just before the meeting of the possibility on an all day meeting on Lawn Making sometime around the first of March. It was suggested that this meeting might be given in connection with the Philadelphia Flower Show at the Commercial Museum, and Mr. Habermehl was requested to take this up with the Flower Show management.

Exhibition Committee - In the absence of Mr. Farnum in Florida, Mr. Hare reported that he had been appointed to act as Chairman in charge of the Society's part in the Philadelphia Flower Show, and that plans are being formulated in this connection.

Garden Committee - Mr. William J. Serrill, Chairman, exhibited the container which Mr. Douglas Gilchrist had made for the Centenary Medal awarded to Mr. and Mrs. Pierre S. duPont, and the Council agreed that it was very beautiful and suitable. The President was authorized to appoint a special committee to present the medal to the duPonts.

The President spoke of the Elverson Building matter and said that he had not had an opportunity to look into it, and wished to appoint a special committee to visit the rooms and present recommendations, as follows: Mrs. Elliott, Mrs. Lloyd, Mr. Serrill, Mr. Hinckle Smith, and Mr. Wister. (Note: this committee on December 21st recommended against moving to the Elverson Building.)

The question of adding classes of higher-priced memberships in order to build up the Endowment Fund was discussed. The additional classes that were proposed at the last meeting were: Patrons - \$10,000.00. Benefactors - \$5,000.00. Sustaining Members - \$1,000.00. It was also proposed to raise the Life Membership fee from \$50.00 to \$100.00. Upon motion of Mrs. Lloyd, it was voted that these changes be made and that the By-Laws be revised accordingly. As the bills which include the information that the Life Membership fee is \$50.00 are now ready to go out to the Annual Members in the January 1st group, the Secretary asked that this change be postponed for a few months. It was accordingly decided to have the increased Life Membership fee become effective as of May 1, 1932.

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In connection with the matter of the proposed Civic Rose Planting, Mr. W. Hinckle Smith reported for the special committee, stating that they have not yet approached the Park Commission on this subject. The Secretary stated that he had forwarded an inquiry from Mr. J. Franklin McFadden as to whether Dr. McFarland understood the Japanese Beetle situation here in Philadelphia, to Dr. McFarland, who had replied that he thought there were beautiful rose gardens in Philadelphia in spite of the Beetles. The Council, however, felt that this was a serious drawback at present and that people outside of the Beetle area do not realize the actual condition.

The President reported that the Powel Mansion Garden Committee met Miss Frances Wister in our rooms on December 11th, and tentative plans for the development of the garden were made.

A letter from Colonel Samuel P. Wetherill to the President was read, requesting the Society to co-operate with the Art Alliance in conducting the movement of "Flowers for the Flowerless." The Art Alliance has sponsored this for several years alone, but a reduction in its budget makes it necessary for it to ask assistance in financing the movement in the future. It was not felt that the members of the Council knew enough of the matter to discuss it intelligently, and a special committee composed of Mrs. Lloyd, Mr. Pennock, Mr. Serrill and Mr. Wister was appointed to meet Mrs. George Holt Strawbridge, Chairman of the movement, and to make recommendations. (Note: This committee met on December 21, and recommended that no action should be taken in this matter.)

The President stated that letters have been received from the Honorary Members elected at the last meeting, accepting their elections with thanks.

The Secretary said that he had received a letter from the International Peace Garden Committee, reporting progress with their plans.

The President announced that a Judging Course will be held in the room adjoining our offices on January 11, 12, 13 and 14, and added that the Society is co-operating in every way possible with the plans of the Garden Club Federation for this event, and that we have secured a room for them for the four days without charge.

As there was no further business, the meeting, on motion, adjourned.

John C. Wister
Secretary.

A regular meeting of the Executive Council of THE PENNSYLVANIA HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY was held in the rooms of the Society, 1600 Arch Street, on the above date. Those present were: Mr. Morris R. Bockius, Mr. W. Atlee Burpee, Jr., Mrs. William T. Elliott, Mr. Jay V. Hare, Mrs. J. Norman Henry, Mrs. Horatio Gates Lloyd, Mr. J. Franklin McFadden, Dr. J. Horace McFarland, Mr. Alex MacLeod, Mr. Henry F. Michell, Mrs. Thomas Newhall, Mr. S. S. Pennock, Mr. William J. Serrill, Mr. W. Hinckle Smith, Mr. C. F. C. Stout and Mr. John C. Wister.

The following members had notified the Secretary of their inability to be present on account of absence from the city: Mr. Fitz Eugene Dixon, Mr. George L. Farnum, Mr. Fairman R. Furness and Mrs Arthur H. Scott.

The President, Mr. C. F. C. Stout was in the Chair, and before introducing the business of the meeting, he welcomed the three new members, Mrs. J. Norman Henry and Mr. Alex. MacLeod and Dr. J. Horace McFarland to the Council.

The minutes of the regular meeting held on December 16th were approved as published and distributed.

The Secretary reported a total membership of 3522. During December, he stated that there were 59 general visitors to the rooms, 72 to the library, 11 meetings in the Council Room, and Mr. Rust visited 6 gardens. As complete figures for 1931 are now available, the Secretary submitted the following comparative summary for the years 1928, 1929, 1930 and 1931. (At the last meeting, he submitted a summary for 1931 up until December 15th.

	Membership	Life Mem.	Mr. Rust			Meetings	Visitors	
			(Visits	Lec.	Judge)		(Library	General)
1927	1344	(Total 83) New Life Mem.						
1928	1711	16				101	286	536
1929	2009	79	119*	(1)		92	464	711
1930	2731	51	80	16	11	91	563	734
1931	3525	44	92	12	15	90* (2)	730	922

*(1) The first year of Mr. Rust's new department, his visits, lectures and judging were all included under one heading.

*(2) The apparent decrease in meetings accounted for by fact that small informal committee meetings are no longer included.

The election of new members was held, resulting in an addition of 48 Annual and 2 Life members (Dr. Leon T. Salmon and Miss Maria B. Samuel). It was noted that six members had transferred from Annual to Life Membership during the month.

In connection with unfinished business, the President announced:

1. The special committee that investigated the question of joining the Art Alliance in the movement of "Flowers for the Flowerless", recommended against cooperation, and the Art Alliance has been so advised.
2. The special committee that visited the Elverson Building reported that although the rent is considerably lower than we are paying here, the building is not nearly so desirable and they recommended against moving. They suggested, however, that upon the strength of the offer from the Elverson Building, the President should ask for a substantial reduction of the rent in this building - in addition to the 900 square feet already promised. The President has done this and added that he was not in favor of a Society like ours changing its address constantly, and hoped that a

favorable lease may be worked out for our present quarters. Mr. Burpee said he would like to suggest another possibility, if negotiations with this building have not gone too far, namely, an entire floor at the University Club, 1601 Locust Street, which he understands may be secured at a very low rental. The President asked the same committee to investigate this that acted before, but said he was afraid the matter had gone too far to be reopened. In connection with larger quarters, Dr. McFarland spoke of the advantages of a central office or clearing house for the various single flower societies with a capable secretary in charge of them all, and hoped that this might be worked out in connection with one of the big horticultural societies, mentioning that Philadelphia might be suitable headquarters.

The Standing Committees reported as follows -

Mr. Serrill, Chairman of the Executive Committee, stated that his Committee met on January 11th and prepared a provisional budget.

Mrs. Elliott, Chairman of the Lecture Committee, reported that the lecture by Mr. Morrison on the preceding day was very successful - the attendance was 270. The exhibit of flower paintings by Mrs. Alice Cope Rehfuess had proven an interesting feature of the afternoon.

Mrs. Lloyd, Chairman of the Library Committee, reported a gift to the Library - "Gardens of Colony and State", published for the Garden Club of America, and presented by the "Gardeners". It is the first volume of a two volume set, and an important and valuable gift. Upon motion of Mr. Serrill, it was voted that a resolution of thanks be sent to the "Gardeners".

Mrs. Lloyd said that she hoped the budget which the Library Committee has prepared will not be cut by the Finance Committee. Last year a catalogue was published that took half the appropriation, which already was less than the Committee asked for originally.

Mr. Hare, in charge of the arrangements for the Philadelphia Flower Show in Mr. Farnum's absence, reported progress and said that Mr. Thomas W. Sears has made plans for the Society's exhibit (a Roadside Planting), and it is hoped he will have the cooperation of the State Highway Department in executing them. At present Mr. Hare is making a cost estimate of the plant material.

The Secretary brought up the question of a Flower Show Luncheon, and it was decided that invitations should be issued, as last year, and that the luncheon should be held on Monday, March 7th, to open the Flower Show.

The President said he would like to appoint the following Committees for 1932, with the Council's approval:

Executive Committee

Mr. William J. Serrill, Chairman
Mr. Benjamin Bullock
Mr. W. Atlee Burpee, Jr.
Mr. Henry F. Michell
Mr. John C. Wister

Library Committee

Mrs. Horatio Gates Lloyd, Chairman
Mrs. E. Page Allinson
Miss Kitty Brinton
Mrs. Nathan Hayward
Mrs. John Packard
Mrs. Alan H. Reed
Mrs. Edward H. York, Jr.

Lecture Committee

Mrs. William T. Elliott, Chairman
Mrs. Horatio Gates Lloyd
Mr. John C. Wister

Finance Committee

Mr. Fitz Eugene Dixon, Chairman
Mr. S. S. Pennock
Mr. W. Hinckle Smith

Exhibition Committee

Mr. George L. Farnum, Chairman
 Mr. W. Atlee Burpee, Vice Chairman
 Mrs. William T. Elliott
 Mr. Fairman R. Furness
 Mr. Jay V. Hare
 Mrs. D. Braden Kyle
 Mr. Alexander MacLeod
 Mrs. Charles S. Starr

Committee on Garden Awards

Mr. William J. Serrill, Chairman
 Mrs. Richard L. Barrows
 Mrs. Benjamin Bullock
 Mrs. A. F. M. Chandler
 Mrs. J. Thomas Ligget

Committee on Garden Consultation

Mr. John C. Wister, Chairman
 Mrs. Benjamin Bullock
 Mrs. Edward M. Cheston
 Mr. F. R. Furness
 Mr. Thomas W. Sears
 Dr. Rodney H. True

The Council approved the appointments, and the Secretary was instructed to write the Committee members accordingly.

The President announced that a Judging Course sponsored by the Garden Club Federation of Pennsylvania was held in the auditorium of this building on January 11th to 14th. There were over a hundred persons enrolled, and the Course was conducted in a very able manner by Mrs. Alan Reed, Chairman.

Attention was called to the fact that the books of the Society are now being audited and as soon as the accountant submits his report, the Finance Committee is requested to meet to prepare the 1932 Budget. The Chairmen of Standing Committees should hand in their budget requirements as soon as possible.

In connection with flowers for the rooms, the President said that no appropriation had been made in the Budget last year and various members of the Council and other members of the Society had very kindly supplied flowers for certain periods or occasions. It has been decided to follow the same plan this year, and it is hoped that the same persons will cooperate again.

The Secretary reported that he had been informed of a project to organize a Conifer Society, and had offered suggestions to Mr. Robert H. Montgomery, of the accounting firm of Lybrand, Ross Bros. & Montgomery, who is doing the preliminary work.

Mrs. Newhall reported for the Powel Mansion Garden Committee in the absence of Mr. Furness, Chairman, that no definite plans have been made as yet for the development of the Garden, as it has been found that \$735.00 will be needed to raze the house which occupies this property and funds for this work are not available. Up to date the only money on hand is \$250.00 which is restricted to the garden itself.

The Secretary said he had just learned of a Rose Medal which is being offered in Rome which will probably develop into something resembling the awards at Bagatelle Gardens in Paris. Dr. McFarland spoke of Everglades Park in Florida which is designed to preserve specimens of the tropical trees in that part of the country and he mentioned mangroves 200 feet high and palms of 100 feet.

Mr. Serrill thought the council might be interested to know that it is believed Mrs. Tyler has decided to leave Painter Arboretum as a park for the public, and that probably Delaware County will administer it.

As there was no further business, the meeting on motion adjourned.

(Sgd.) John C. Wister, *John C. Wister*
 Secretary

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The following members had notified the Secretary of their inability to be present: Mr. George I. Farnum, Mr. Fairman R. Furness, ~~and Mrs. J. Norman Henry~~, Mrs. Thomas Newhall, and ~~Mr. S. S. Pennock~~.

The President, Mr. C. Frederick C. Stout, was in the Chair.

The minutes of the regular meeting held on January 20th were approved as published and distributed.

Before taking up the business of the day, the President announced with deep regret the death of Mr. Henry F. Michell, which occurred suddenly on February 20th. He stated that Mr. Serrill, Mr. Pennock and Mr. Wister had represented the Council at the church service, and that flowers had been sent by the Society.

Upon motion of Mr. Burpee, the following resolution was adopted:

With profound sorrow, the Executive Council of The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society records the death of its Honorary Vice-President, Henry F. Michell, which occurred suddenly on February 20, 1932. Mr. Michell became a member of the Society in 1884, and was one of very few members of such long standing. He was elected to the Executive Council in 1897, and was the senior member at the time of his death. He became Vice-President in 1899, and was made Honorary Vice-President in 1930.

Mr. Michell was always mindful of the Society's welfare, and was an enthusiastic supporter of its policies. His wisdom and tact were of the greatest value in the meetings over which he often presided, and his wise counsel helped the Society in the guidance of its affairs. His happy disposition and his courteous manner, coupled with his ability, gained him not only personal friends but were a very real asset to the Society.

As President of one of Philadelphia's leading seed firms, Mr. Michell was able to further the love of flowers all over this State and nation.

With the sense of loss to the Society is mingled deep sympathy for the members of his family.

Dr. McFarland reported the death on the preceding evening of Captain George C. Thomas, Jr., well-known rosarian of California who was a native of Chestnut Hill, and the Secretary was instructed to send a telegram of sympathy to Mrs. Thomas.

The Secretary presented a report for January, as follows:

There were 103 general visitors and 104 visitors to the library. Fifteen meetings were held in the Council Room. Mr. Rust made six visits to gardens. Total membership 3543.

The election of new members was held, including seventy-eight Annual and two Life Members. The new Life Members were Mrs. John T. Dorrance and Mr. William J. McCahan. Mr. Howard S. Levy transferred from Annual to Life Membership.

The Budget prepared by the Finance Committee, Mr. Fitz Eugene Dixon, Chairman, was submitted, but before asking for its approval the President said the appropriation for Garden Days needed special consideration.

After the Finance Committee had appropriated \$850.00 for this activity the Secretary had had a meeting with Miss Blakiston's Committee representing the School. They said that the very large increase in the number of our members using this privilege in 1931 made them fear that in a few years everyone who wished to visit Gardens would simply join the Society instead of paying admission, thus eliminating the School's revenue from this source. Miss Blakiston therefore requested that at least an additional hundred dollars should be added to the appropriation.

After some discussion, upon motion of Mr. W. Hinckle Smith, it was voted to increase the appropriation \$100. The President said he would appoint a small committee from the Society to investigate the situation thoroughly and to make recommendations for 1933.

The Budget was then approved for the current year, and is as follows:

See next page.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE - Mr. William J. Serrill, Chairman

Rent (3/4 of rent, exclusive of storage space)	\$ 3,825.00	
Salaries (Miss Gibbons and Miss Root)	4,020.00	
Insurance	100.00	
Postage	400.00	
General Printing & Stationery	600.00	
Year Book - 1932	1,200.00	
Treasurer's Bond	25.00	
Water, Ice, Towels, Floors	135.00	
Telephone	220.00	
New Equipment	200.00	
Miscellaneous	750.00	11,475.00

LECTURE COMMITTEE - Mrs. William T. Elliott, Chairman

Lecture Expenses	600.00	600.00
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EXHIBITION COMMITTEE - Mr. George L. Farnum, Chairman

Rent of storage space	500.00	
Salaries (Miss Samuel \$300, Mr. Rust \$1,000)	1,300.00	
Philadelphia Flower Show	2,000.00	
Spring Flower Show	300.00	
Dahlia Show	1,200.00	
Hardy Chrysanthemum Show	250.00	
New equipment and repairs	150.00	
Medals, vases, placquettes	600.00	
Miscellaneous	100.00	
Rent of exhibition hall if required for Spring or Fall Show	250.00	6,650.00

LIBRARY COMMITTEE - Mrs. Horatio Gates Lloyd, Chairman

Rent (1/4 of rent)	1,275.00	
Salaries (5/6 of Miss Samuel's salary)	1,500.00	
Subscriptions to periodicals	125.00	
New books	800.00	
Binding	200.00	
Office expenses (postage, labels, paste, paper, etc.)	75.00	3,975.00

GARDENS

Committee on Garden Awards - Mr. William J. Serrill, Chairman	150.00	
Committee on Garden Consultation - Mr. John C. Wister, Chairman	2,000.00	
(2/3 of Mr. Rust's Salary)		
Garden Days (School of Horticulture & notices)	950.00	3,100.00

SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS

HORTICULTURE (Based on 3,000 members)	2,250.00	
Brown Canker Fund	100.00	
Entertainment (Phila. Flower Show luncheon, etc.)	250.00	
Membership (drive by office)	600.00	
Depreciation	1,200.00	4,400.00

TOTAL

\$30,200.00

Mr. Jay V. Hare, Acting Chairman of the Exhibition Committee, reported that Mrs. Kyle has arranged committees to take charge of the Society's classes in the Philadelphia Flower Show, and that Mr. Sears is progressing with his plans for the Roadside Planting, which will be exhibited jointly by the Society and the State Highway Department. Mr. Hare said that he and Mr. Wister had gone to Harrisburg and interviewed some of the Highway and Forestry officials and had been promised full cooperation by the State. In connection with the Flower Show, the President spoke of the luncheon at the Barclay, to be held on March 7th, the opening day, and said he would appoint a few of the ladies to act as hostesses on this occasion. He said that acceptances had been received from Mr. Arthur M. Hyde, Secretary of Agriculture, and Mrs. Hyde, of Washington, from Mayor and Mrs. Moore of Philadelphia, and from the State Secretary of Agriculture, Mr. John A. McSparran.

Mrs. Lloyd, Chairman of the Library Committee, expressed grateful appreciation to the Finance Committee for approving the appropriation requested by her Committee in the Budget.

Mrs. Elliott reported a successful series of lectures and regretted that there was such a small audience to hear Professor Fletcher speak on "Small Fruits for the Home Garden" on February 16th. Those who attended the lecture were most enthusiastic and kept Professor Fletcher until five o'clock answering questions. The attendance at Mr. Wister's talk on "Gardens, A Community Asset" on February 2nd, was 295, and at Professor Fletcher's lecture, 125.

Mr. William J. Serrill, Chairman of the Committee on Garden Awards, spoke of the interesting visit to "Longwood" made by the Special Committee on February 17th, to present the Centenary Medal to Mr. and Mrs. Pierre S. duPont. He said that Mr. Stout had made the presentation in a short, fitting speech, and that Mr. duPont had accepted the Medal in a few graceful words.

The Secretary read a letter from Mr. George L. Harrison, Chairman of the Powel Mansion Garden Committee, requesting a contribution of \$100.00 toward the establishment of a garden on the property adjoining the Powel Mansion. Although it was pointed out that it would be difficult to grow an interesting collection of plants in this city location, it was decided that the project was well worth-while, even though a green garden might be the only result, and it was voted that a contribution of \$100.00 be made to this Committee.

The President announced that the Annual Meeting of the Garden Club Federation of Pennsylvania would be held in Philadelphia on March 9th and 10th, during Flower Show week. He said that Mrs. Lloyd and Mr. Wister would be the Society's representatives at this event.

The President called attention to an all-day Lawn School which will be held under the auspices of the Extension Service of the Pennsylvania State College, in Germantown, on March 1st, and added that all members of the Society are invited to attend, also their gardeners.

A vote of thanks was extended to Mrs. Lloyd for the Nemesia plant, and the Schizanthus and Antirrhinum flowers sent into the rooms recently, and to Mr. Dixon for the several varieties of Orchids which he supplied this month.

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The Council was glad to hear from Mr. McFadden that the Southeastern Chapter of the American Red Cross has again been accorded the privilege of distributing to various local hospitals the flowers from the Philadelphia Flower Show.

As there was no further business, the meeting on motion adjourned.

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March 23, 1932.

A regular meeting of the Executive Council of THE PENNSYLVANIA HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY was held in the rooms of the Society, 1600 Arch Street, on the above date. Those present were: Mrs. William T. Elliott, Mr. George L. Farnum, Mr. Fairman R. Furness, Mr. John P. Habermehl, Mr. Jay V. Hare, Mrs. J. Norman Henry, Mrs. Horatio Gates Lloyd, Mr. Alex Macleod, Mrs. Thomas Newhall, Mr. S. S. Pennock, Mr. William J. Serrill, Mr. W. Hinckle Smith, Mr. C. Frederick C. Stout, and Mr. John C. Wister.

The following members had notified the Secretary of their inability to be present: Mr. W. Atlee Burpee, Jr., Mr. F. E. Dixon, Mr. J. Franklin McFadden, and Dr. J. Horace McFarland.

The President, Mr. C. Frederick C. Stout, was in the Chair.

The minutes of the regular meeting held on February 24th were approved as published and distributed.

The Secretary reported the total membership of the above date to be 3740. Although more than a hundred members have been lost since January 1st, due to deaths and resignations, there has been a net gain of 215. During February there were 120 visitors to the Library, 100 general visitors, and eleven meetings were held in the Council Room. Mr. Rust visited six gardens of members and gave four lectures. Upon motion, duly seconded, the Secretary's report was accepted and ordered filed.

Two hundred and six Annual Members and one Life Member, Mrs. John B. Thayer, 3rd, having been duly proposed, were elected, and the transfer from Annual to Life Membership of Mr. Henry D. Boenning was noted. The Secretary said that the election of this large number of members was due in great part to the Philadelphia Flower Show, and that about sixty per-cent of the new members were proposed by persons already members.

Mr. Jay V. Hare, who acted as Chairman of the Exhibition Committee in connection with the Philadelphia Flower Show in the absence of Mr. Farnum in the South, gave an interesting account of the Society's part in this Show. He said a great deal of credit was due to Mrs. D. Braden Kyle and to her Committees for the able way in which the classes sponsored by the Society were handled, and that things had never been conducted so smoothly before. He also said the Society is deeply indebted to the State Highway Department for its splendid co-operation in the Road-side Planting, and to Mr. Thomas W. Sears for planning the exhibit and for staging it. The attendance at the Show is estimated to be been between 85,000 and 87,000. Last year it was about 110,000.

The splendid quality of the Show as a whole was commented upon, and the President said he thought it would be fitting to award the Society's Schaffer Medal to the group of men who were responsible for it. The following resolution, upon motion of Mr. W. Hinckle Smith, was unanimously adopted:

The Executive Council of The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society extends to the Philadelphia Flower Show Association its sincere congratulations upon the very beautiful exhibition which was presented March 7 - 12, 1932. The Show was an inspiration to the flower lovers who visited it, and in the judgment of the Council it was the most interesting exhibition, both from the point of view of floor plan and attractive material, that has been held in this city. In

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recognition of this, the Council takes great pleasure in awarding the Schaffer Memorial Medal of the Society to the President and members of the Executive Board of The Philadelphia Flower Show, Inc., Mr. John P. Habermehl and the Philadelphia Flower Show Committee.

A second resolution was adopted as follows:

The Executive Council of The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society wishes to thank the Philadelphia Flower Show Association for the flowers which were used for table decorations at the luncheon at The Barclay, on March 7th, and for the exquisite orchid corsages presented to the ladies. The Council sincerely appreciates the courtesy of Mr. John P. Habermehl in arranging the flowers so beautifully.

The Chairman of the Exhibition Committee, Mr. George L. Farnum, said he would like to have the opinion of the Council in regard to the place of holding the Society's June Show and the Dahlia Show. He is trying to get some data in regard to the possibilities of the Merion Cricket Club for the June Show on June 3rd and 4th. He considers it advisable to go along with the Bryn Mawr Horse Show another year and to hold the Dahlia Show in conjunction with that organization on September 30th and October 1st. The Council members approved Mr. Farnum's tentative plans and upon motion of Mrs. Newhall, it was resolved to leave the details to the judgment of Mr. Farnum and his Committee.

Mrs. Lloyd gave an interesting account of the March Flower Show in Boston, which was held in the building of the Massachusetts Horticultural Society. She said the material was wonderful and the exhibition small and perfect but too crowded. Mrs. Lloyd and Mr. Wister described the principal features of the International Flower Show in New York, mentioning particularly the variety of material. Among the garden club exhibits, they said the bird sanctuaries exhibited by the Garden Club Federation of New York State were outstanding. After the first day of the Show, the crowds were so large it was impossible to see anything in detail.

Mr. Habermehl spoke of the different conditions in Philadelphia and New York, and said it was impossible to judge the two Shows by the same standards.

The Society's Flower Show luncheon at The Barclay, on March 7th, was discussed. Although the members of the Council felt it was a very enjoyable occasion, the opinion was expressed that a greater effort should be made to secure prominent horticulturists and statesmen from a distance, and to get better publicity for the affair.

The President reported that he had completed arrangements for the adjoining room to be added to the Society's quarters for the library, and had succeeded in having it included in our five years' lease, starting next October, at no additional cost. In fact, the rent has been reduced from \$5,600.00 to \$5,000.00 a year (a monthly saving of \$50.00) starting with February 1st this year. The total floor space will be increased from 1600 square feet to 2500 square feet. The President was congratulated upon his successful negotiations.

Mrs. Lloyd, Chairman of the Library Committee, said that plans are under way to furnish the Reading Room, and that the library will be moved to its new

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quarters within the next few weeks. Mrs. Lloyd also reported that Miss Ernestine Goodman, of Chestnut Hill, has offered a gift of twelve gardening books to the Society from her own library, and upon Mrs. Lloyd's motion, it was voted to accept the books with thanks. (At the end of the Meeting, Mrs. Henry offered a book to the Society, entitled "Trees, a Woodland Notebook" by Sir Herbert Maxwell, and her offer was gratefully accepted.)

The vacancy in the Council (occasioned by the death of Mr. Henry F. Micehl) was discussed, and a list was read of candidates who have been proposed from time to time. The President said there was no hurry in filling the vacancy, but asked the members to keep in mind suitable persons and requested the Secretary to send the list he had read, along with any additional names that are suggested, to the members of the Council with the notice of the next meeting.

Mrs. Thomas Newhall, retiring President of the Garden Club Federation of Pennsylvania, reported upon the Annual Meeting which was held during Flower Show week. She said the sessions were very interesting and that there were eighty-five delegates in attendance. Nine ladies came from Delaware to secure information about organizing a Federation in that State, and the President of the Maryland Federation attended the sessions. There are now sixty-five clubs in the Federation, with a total membership of nearly seven thousand persons. Mrs. Alan Reed, of Wyncote, is the new President.

The Secretary read a letter from Miss Emma Blakiston, Chairman of Garden Visiting Days, thanking the Society for raising this year's contribution to \$850.00 and requesting that a Committee from the Society meet a Committee from the School as soon as possible to discuss next year's plans. The matter of the Garden Days was discussed at some length, and the opinion was expressed that it might be well for the Society to try holding its own Days again.

A letter from the Greater Pennsylvania Council, Jr. T. Woodruff, Chief, Planning Bureau, was submitted by the Secretary, asking for suggestions of areas of extraordinary horticultural significance. One of the members of the Greater Pennsylvania Council recommended that in replying, the Secretary refer to the recent report of the Regional Planning Federation.

The President mentioned an idea he has had in mind for some time, namely, renting an additional room adjoining the space we have just secured, and then sub-renting it to The Philadelphia Flower Show, Inc., the American Rose Society, the Garden Club Federation of Pennsylvania, and any other single flower societies or horticultural organizations that might be interested. By doing this, the rooms of the Society would become horticultural headquarters in this section and a center of gardening activities. The associated organizations would have the benefit of our library and easier contact with this Society and with each other. The President said the possibilities of such an arrangement had struck him when Dr. J. Horace McFarland had voiced a desire for permanent headquarters for the American Rose Society.

As there was no further business, the meeting, on motion, adjourned.

John C. Wicks
Secretary.

April 20, 1932.

A regular meeting of the Executive Council of THE PENNSYLVANIA HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY was held in the rooms of the Society, 1600 Arch Street, on the above date. Those present were: Mrs. J. Norman Henry, Mrs. Thomas Newhall, Mr. George L. Farnum, Mr. J. Franklin McFadden, Dr. J. Horace McFarland, Mr. S. S. Pennock, Mr. William J. Serrill, Mr. W. Hinckle Smith, Mr. C. F. C. Stout and Mr. John C. Wister.

The following members had notified the Secretary of their inability to be present: Mrs. William T. Elliott, Mrs. Horatio Gates Lloyd, Mrs. Arthur H. Scott, Mr. W. Atlee Burpee, Jr., Mr. Morris R. Bockius, Mr. F. E. Dixon, Mr. Fairman R. Furness, Mr. Jay V. Hare and Mr. Alex MacLeod.

The President, Mr. C. Frederick C. Stout, was in the Chair.

The Secretary called attention to a slight change in the minutes of the March meeting as published and distributed, and they were approved as corrected.

The Secretary reported the total membership of the Society as of the above date to be 3800. During March, there were 104 general visitors and 108 visitors to the Library. Ten meetings were held in the Council Room. Mr. Rust made six visits to gardens and gave one lecture. The Secretary's report was received and ordered filed.

The election of members was held, resulting in the addition of seventy-four Annual Members. It was noted that the following members had transferred from Annual to Life Membership: Mrs. Walter F. Ballinger, Mrs. Robert J. Carson, Mrs. Henry H. Pease and Miss Anna Randolph. As only a few weeks remain before the Life Membership fee will be raised from \$50.00 to \$100.00, it was suggested that this fact be given as much publicity as possible between now and May 1st, the date when the higher fee will become effective.

The Chairman of the Exhibition Committee, Mr. George L. Farnum, reported that it will be possible for the Society to hold its Peony and Spring Flower Show in the ballroom of the Merion Cricket Club, on June 3rd and 4th (Friday and Saturday) at a rental of \$35.00 for the first day and \$20.00 for the second. After a discussion of several matters pertaining to the exhibition, upon motion of Mrs. Newhall, it was decided to go ahead with plans along the lines proposed by Mr. Farnum and to leave the details to the Exhibition Committee. Later, at the request of Mr. Farnum, it was voted to offer the Society's silver and bronze medals to the American Dahlia Society for award at their Fall Show.

The President mentioned the vacancy in the Executive Council but said he, personally, was of the opinion that there was no hurry in filling it, and also that a few members of the Council had asked that the decision be put off until fall so that there would be time to consider carefully before selecting a candidate.

The matter of evolving a policy to govern 1933 Garden Days was placed in the hands of a Special Committee who will confer with a Committee from the School of Horticulture on April 27th. The Committee as appointed by the President is composed of Mrs. Elliott, Mrs. Henry, Mr. McFadden, Mr. Furness, Mr. Pennock and Mr. Wister.

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It was decided to participate in the movement of "Flowers for the Flowerless" in the same way as in previous years - that is, by having a small committee on duty to receive flowers in a booth in Broad Street Station on Friday mornings in June. Mrs. Charles F. Derby was again appointed Chairman of the Committee.

The Secretary read a resolution that had been prepared in memory of Mrs. J. Willis Martin, and upon motion of Dr. McFarland, duly seconded, it was adopted as follows:

With profound sorrow, the Executive Council of The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society records the death of Mrs. J. Willis Martin, a Life Member, which occurred on April 5, 1932. For the last thirty years, Mrs. Martin has been one of the most active and valuable members of the Society. From 1924 to 1927, she served on the Executive Council.

Mrs. Martin was ever ready to advance the usefulness of the Society, and her enthusiasm for all gardening activities was an inspiration to those who were associated with her. She did much to promote the garden club movement in this country, and had a high conception of the mission of these clubs for civic betterment.

Mrs. Martin organized The Garden Club of Philadelphia, which was founded April 27, 1904. On April 30, 1913, she helped organize The Garden Club of America and was the first president. She also played an active part in the formation of the Garden Club Federation of Pennsylvania, which organized in the rooms of The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society on March 6, 1930.

Horticulture was only one of many activities in which Mrs. Martin was interested, and her influence was equally great in the various civic, philanthropic and religious movements to which she gave her time and enthusiasm.

With the feeling of community loss is mingled sincere sympathy for the members of her family.

The Secretary was instructed to have the Resolution engrossed upon parchment and sent to Mrs. Martin's family. (Mrs. Elliott has since been appointed by the President to represent the Society at a meeting of organizations of which Mrs. Martin was a member, to consider a suitable joint memorial to her.)

The President reported that there were no definite developments in regard to the plan of centralized headquarters for various horticultural organizations in space adjoining the Society's offices. He presented the idea to the Flower Show Committee of the Philadelphia Flower Show at their last meeting, and it will be considered at the May meeting of the Executive Committee of that organization. Although it was realized that it would take time to work out such a scheme, and that it may be impossible, it was decided that it was an excellent thing to keep in mind and to place before the societies which might be interested in joining such a movement.

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Upon motion of Mr. W. Hinckle Smith, duly seconded, it was RESOLVED, That the Certificate of The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society be awarded to the Andorra Nurseries for their outstanding exhibit at the Philadelphia Flower Show; and further, that the Executive Council consider the advisability of making such an award annually at the Philadelphia Flower Show.

A vote of thanks was extended to Mr. W. Atlee Burpee for the beautiful sweet peas he had sent to the rooms for the Council meeting, and to Mr. John C. Wister for the collections of daffodils which he supplies during the spring season.

There being no further business, the meeting, on motion, adjourned.

John C. Wister
Secretary.

May 18, 1932.

A regular meeting of the Executive Council of THE PENNSYLVANIA HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY was held in the rooms of the Society, 1600 Arch Street, on the above date. Those present were Mrs. J. Norman Henry, Mrs. Horatio Gates Lloyd, Mrs. Thomas Newhall, Mrs. Arthur H. Scott, Mr. Morris R. Bockius, Mr. W. Atlee Burpee, Jr., Mr. George L. Farnum, Mr. Alex. MacLeod, Dr. J. Horace McFarland, Mr. S. S. Pennock, Mr. William J. Serrill, Mr. C. F. C. Stout and Mr. John C. Wister.

The following members had notified the Secretary of their inability to be present: Mrs. William T. Elliott, Mr. Fairman R. Furness, Mr. John P. Habermehl, Mr. Jay V. Hare, Mr. J. Franklin McFadden and Mr. W. Hinckle Smith.

The President, Mr. C. Frederick C. Stout, was in the Chair.

The minutes of the regular meeting held on April 20th, were approved as published and distributed.

The Secretary reported the total membership of the Society, as of the above date, to be 3926. There were 80 general visitors in March and 71 visitors to the Library. Mr. Rust made sixteen visits to the gardens of members, and there were nine meetings held in the Board Room.

One hundred and fifty-five Annual Members and one Life Member, Mrs. Frank G. Clemens, were elected, and it was noted that nine members transferred from Annual to Life Membership during the past month. Since the first of the year, 555 new members have been elected and there has been a loss of 154 old members.

The Chairman of the Exhibition Committee, Mr. George L. Farnum, reported that his Committee, at a meeting held just before the Council meeting, decided to hold this year's Dahlia Show on September 30th and October 1st, at Bryn Mawr, in conjunction with the Bryn Mawr Horse Show, as has been done for the last few years. The Hardy Chrysanthemum Show will be held in this building on November 3rd and 4th. Mr. Farnum outlined the plans of his Committee for these two Shows, and upon motion of Dr. McFarland, duly seconded, his report was accepted and approved.

The Chairman of the Committee on Garden Awards, Mr. William J. Serrill, reported that his Committee will make their first garden visits on May 20th.

In the absence of Mr. J. Franklin McFadden, Acting Chairman of the Special Committee on Garden Days, his report to the President was read by the Secretary. In part, it is as follows:

"A meeting of the Committee to consult with the School of Horticulture regarding future arrangements for Garden Days in members' gardens to which the School charges admission was held Wednesday, April 27th, in the rooms of the Society. Present: Mrs. William T. Elliott, Mrs. J. Norman Henry, The President, Mr. Stout, ex-officio, and J. Franklin McFadden. After a general discussion of the subject, it was decided to not attempt to formulate any principle or suggest plans for the future until a later meeting to be held after hearing the views of the Board of the School which met just prior to this meeting in the rooms of the Society.

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"At the joint meeting of the Committee of the Society, held immediately after our own meeting, with a Committee from the Board of the School, Mr. Stout stated the desire of the Society to aid in every possible and proper way the purposes of the School, and defined the question to be considered as of mutual interest. Miss Blakiston, as Chairman of the School's Committee, after expressing the appreciation of their Board for the helpful contribution by the Society of \$850.00 to the School, presented an analysis of Garden Day receipts. In 1930, by adding together the largest number visiting any one garden in each Day of those presenting Society Membership Cards, the total for the eight Days in 1930 was 813 free visitors from a total number of visitors to all gardens for all eight days of 3945. Total money receipts for all eight Days was \$3,132.00. For 1931, in eleven Days, on the same basis, the total number of visitors admitted free, presenting Horticultural Society Cards, was 2143 out of a total number of 4555 visitors, with total cash receipts of \$2,412.00. That is, with an increase in Days of three and with visitors increased from 3945 to 4555, the School's cash receipts decreased from \$3,132.00 to \$2,412.00, or by \$720.00.

"From this, they frankly stated they deduced the fact that as our membership increased their receipts from Garden Days would automatically decline, and that they were dependent on money from these Garden Days to carry on. It is therefore apparent that the present arrangement of the School having a monopoly of Garden Days to which the Society's members are admitted free has led, without anyone anticipating it, to a situation where the financial interests of the two groups are not parallel. As the Society grows in membership, the School will receive less money. No suggestion as to the future was offered by your Committee. Upon request for any ideas or suggestions from the School, they stated the following ideas had been suggested by individual members of the School Committee. They were all tentative and offered simply as solutions for consideration by the Society. The order had no reference to preference on their part:

- "Plan I. Society to make a contribution and reduce the number of Days for free admission to Society members - Life Members, however, to have free admission to all Days.
- "Plan II. Society to make a contribution and members admitted free to two days on special tickets furnished on application to the Society. Life Members admitted without charge.
- "Plan III. Society to make a contribution and no members except Life Members admitted free. All others to pay fifty cents instead of one dollar.

"The meeting adjourned with the understanding that another one would be held in the fall to determine what was to be done for next season."

Mr. McFadden's report was accepted and ordered filed, and the President said no other action was necessary at this time as the Committee will doubtless offer recommendations in the fall after meeting again and giving further study to the matter.

In the absence of Mrs. William T. Elliott, Chairman, Mrs. Thomas Newhall reported on the meeting attended by representatives from thirty organizations

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called to consider a fitting memorial to Mrs. J. Willis Martin, on May 12th. She said that it was decided to establish an "Elizabeth Price Martin Fellowship". Three purposes were discussed: Beautification in some form, a Playground for children, and aid to "white-collared" women. Five Trustees will be appointed by the Chairman and a plan will be adopted at a later meeting. Mrs. Newhall said that Mrs. Elliott had spoken at the meeting and had promised the co-operation of the Society. No moneyed pledges were made by any organization.

Mrs. Horatio Gates Lloyd, Chairman of the Library Committee, reported gifts of books to the Society from Mrs. J. Norman Henry and Mr. J. Franklin McFadden, which she said had been acknowledged with gratitude to the donors.

In connection with the Certificate of Merit which it was voted to award to the Andorra Nurseries at the last meeting, the President emphasized the necessity of presenting this in such a way that the Flower Show authorities may not feel that such action is a reflection on the judges who officiated at the Flower Show. Mr. W. Atlee Burpee, Jr., was appointed to confer with the officers of the Flower Show Association on this point. It was felt he was well qualified to do this because he is a member of both Boards.

The Secretary announced that the Philadelphia Flower Show will be held March 27 to April 1st, 1933, and the New York Show, March 20th to 25th.

The President reported that a letter from the Philadelphia Flower Show had been received, declining his proposal that they move their office to a room adjoining the Society's quarters. Nothing further will be done at this time about securing the room for other horticultural organizations.

Dr. J. Horace McFarland extended an invitation to the Council to visit his garden, "Breeze Hill", in Harrisburg, this season.

An invitation to attend the June Convention of the National Council of State Garden Club Federations, in Boston, in June, was read by the President.

There being no further business, the meeting, on motion, adjourned.

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Secretary.

September 23, 1932.

A regular meeting of the Executive Council of THE PENNSYLVANIA HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY was held in the rooms of the Society, 1600 Arch Street, on the above date. Those present were Mr. Fairman R. Furness, Mr. John P. Habermehl, Mr. Jay V. Hare, Mrs. J. Norman Henry, Mr. Alexander MacLeod, Mrs. Thomas Newhall, Mr. S. S. Pennock, Mrs. Arthur H. Scott, Mr. William J. Serrill, Mr. W. Hinckle Smith and Mr. John C. Wister.

The following members had notified the Secretary of their inability to be present: Mrs. William T. Elliott, Mr. Morris R. Bockius, Mr. W. Atlee Burpee, Jr., Mr. F. E. Dixon, Mr. George L. Farnum, Mr. J. Franklin McFadden, Mr. J. Horace McFarland and Mr. C. Frederick C. Stout.

In the absence of the President, Mr. William J. Serrill, Vice-President, presided.

The minutes of the regular meeting held on May 18th, were approved as published and distributed.

The Secretary reported the total membership of the Society as of September 23rd to be 3823. In the three summer months of 1931, there was an increase of 106 members and a loss of 9, while in the corresponding months of 1932 there was a gain of 48 members and a loss of 179 members. The large decrease this year is due partly to the new system of dropping delinquent members at the end of four months instead of carrying them ten months, as formerly. A further comparison of these two periods showed in 1931, 115 general visitors to the offices and 116 visitors to the library, while in 1932 there were 149 general visitors and 157 library visitors - a gratifying increase.

Eighty-five Annual Members, the majority of whom were proposed by old members, were elected.

The Secretary read a letter from Mr. George L. Farnum, Chairman of the Exhibition Committee, in which he asked the assistance of the Council in effecting a definite ruling concerning amateur standing of members of the families of gardeners or professional growers. The particular case in point is that of a young woman who exhibits Dahlias in the amateur classes at the Society's Shows. Although she grows these Dahlias herself, her father is a professional gardener who is an outstanding grower of these and other flowers, and the objection has been raised by exhibitors that she has an unfair advantage over the small growers by reason of the helpful advice she is able to get from her father, and they recommend that her entries shall be restricted to the open classes. There was some discussion of the matter which terminated in the following resolutions:

1. That it is too late to make a new rule this year, as the schedule has been printed and is now in the hands of the exhibitors.
2. That the matter be referred back to Mr. Farnum's Committee for further investigation, with the suggestion that the Committee find out the ruling of the Massachusetts and New York Societies in this regard.

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The Secretary made a brief report for Mr. Farnum on the Peony and Spring Flower Show of the Society, held at the Merion Cricket Club on June 3rd and 4th. He stated that the quality of flowers and plants was exceptionally fine but that the exhibits were too crowded to be seen to good advantage. The attendance was very small on both days.

The Secretary read the following report on "Flowers for the Flowerless" submitted by the Chairman, Mrs. Charles F. Derby, which was accepted with thanks:

"On Fridays during the month of June, we had more buckets than usual, fifty-three in all. Owing to the discontinuance of the Sixty-Ninth Street booth, we were fortunate in securing flowers from the Swarthmore Club.

"I hope that I may be of service to you next year."

Mr. Serrill spoke with deep regret of the death of Mr. Samuel T. Bodine, Honorary Vice-President and former President of the Society, and the Secretary presented the following resolution which, upon motion of Mr. W. Hinckle Smith, was adopted unanimously:

The Executive Council of The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society records with profound sorrow the death of Mr. Samuel T. Bodine, which occurred on August 19, 1932. Mr. Bodine was a member of the Society for over thirty years; he served on the Executive Council in 1902 and in 1913 and 1914, was Vice-President in 1913 and President in 1914, at which time the affairs of the Society were in a critical condition.

Mr. Bodine was particularly interested in the Flower Shows of the Society, and exhibits from his estate have for many years added greatly to the success of these Shows.

In addition to his interest in horticulture, he was widely-known for his many other activities and his death is a great loss to the community as a whole.

In order to permanently record Mr. Bodine's valuable services to the Society, the Executive Council directs that this resolution be spread upon the minutes and that a copy shall be sent to Mr. Bodine's family.

The Committee to nominate Executive Council members to serve during 1933, 1934 and 1935, was named as follows: (Procedure according to By-Law No. VIII.)

Mr. F. E. Dixon, Mrs. William T. Elliott, Mr. George L. Farnum, Mr. Fairman Rogers Furness, Mr. S. S. Pennock, Mr. William J. Serrill, and Mr. C. Frederick C. Stout. The Chair appointed Mr. S. S. Pennock Chairman of the Committee, and reminded the Committee that their nominations should be in the hands of the Secretary by October 1st.

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Announcement was made of the semi-annual meeting of the Garden Club Federation of Pennsylvania, which is to be held in Erie on October 11th and 12th. As it was impossible for any of the Council members present to represent the Society at the Erie meeting, "the office" was requested to find a suitable candidate.

The Certificate of Merit awarded by the Executive Council to the Andorra Nurseries for their outstanding exhibit at the Philadelphia Flower Show last March was inspected. This is the first of a new series of Certificates, the design of which was adapted from the Society's diploma which was made almost a hundred years ago by Cozzens, a famous engraver in England. The matter of the Council making a similar award each year as suggested by Mr. W. Hinckle Smith at a previous meeting was discussed favorably, but no definite course of action was decided upon.

Mrs. Newhall, Chairman of the Powel Garden Committee, reported that considerable work has been done on the garden this summer. She said that the property has been cleared and that neat brick paths have been laid. Rectangular beds have been sown with grass and although it is still an entirely green garden, the appearance of the place has been vastly improved. The work has cost \$1,193.58 to date, of which \$68.00 has not been pledged. Mrs. Newhall added that contributions toward this deficit and toward further planting of the garden would be most welcome.

The Chair stated that the Philadelphia Flower Show has decided to give each member of the Society one ticket for the March Show in 1933 instead of two as in the past few years. Mrs. Newhall expressed the opinion that the Society appreciated the Flower Show's generosity.

A vote of thanks was given to Mr. W. Atlee Burpee for the very lovely Gladiolus he has supplied to the rooms twice a week for more than a month; to Mr. Hare for beautiful Gladiolus he has sent in on different occasions; to Mrs. Hare for the arrangement of Montbretia on the Council Room table; and to Mr. Furness for the unusual purple Salvia and the Gordonia flowers which he brought to the meeting.

The Secretary called attention to some of the items on recent statements of the Girard Trust Company, Trustee of the Elizabeth Schaffer Fund (from which the Society derives most of its income). He said that he had written the Trust Company for an explanation of the omission on the August 30th statement of an amount of interest that was due at that time, and the Council decided that there was nothing that needed attention in the other items he reported.

As there was no further business, the meeting, on motion, adjourned.

John C. Wister
Secretary.

October 19, 1932.

A regular meeting of the Executive Council of THE PENNSYLVANIA HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY was held in the rooms of the Society, 1600 Arch Street, on the above date. Those present were: Mrs. William T. Elliott, Mrs. J. Norman Henry, Mrs. Horatio Gates Lloyd, Mr. Morris R. Bockius, Mr. W. Atlee Burpee, Jr., Mr. George L. Farnum, Mr. Fairman R. Furness, Mr. John P. Habermehl, Mr. Alexander MacLeod, Mr. S. S. Pennock, Mr. William J. Serrill, Mr. W. Hinckle Smith, Mr. C. Frederick C. Stout and Mr. John C. Wister.

The following members had notified the Secretary of their inability to be present: Mrs. Thomas Newhall, Mrs. Arthur H. Scott, Mr. F. E. Dixon, Mr. Jay V. Hare and Dr. J. Horace McFarland.

The President, Mr. C. Frederick C. Stout, was in the Chair.

The minutes of the regular meeting held on September 23rd, were approved as published and distributed.

The Secretary reported the total membership as of October 19th to be 3744. Since the first of the year there has been a gain of 662 members and a loss of 366 (due to a larger number of resignations than usual on account of the economic situation), making a net gain of 296 members.

Nineteen Annual Members, whose names were proposed, were elected.

Mr. William J. Serrill, Chairman of the Committee on Garden Awards, read the following report submitted by his Committee:

"The Committee visited nine gardens this year and after careful consideration, recommends as follows:

"A SILVER MEDAL to Mrs. Andrew Wheeler, 'Le Chatelet', Ardmore, for her beautiful and thoroughly consistent French garden. Laid out after the garden of Petit Trianon at Versailles, it is perfectly executed in every detail. The tapis vert, herb bordered on each side, is lined with allees of pleached European elms, the only ones we know of in this country. The charming garden house and rose garden show the intense interest of its owner, who personally superintends the garden, both in its conception and maintenance.

"A SILVER MEDAL to Mr. and Mrs. Frank Graham Thomson, 'Brookmead Farm', Devon, for their attractive and interesting farm. The wall garden by the house, overlooking the meadows, is of real beauty, and the collection of unusual shrubs is not only most interesting but demonstrates the keen interest and knowledge of Mrs. Thomson. An upper garden and woodland development are in the making and give still greater promise.

"A BRONZE MEDAL to Mr. and Mrs. John H. Packard, 3rd, Chestnut Hill, for their intimate garden. This garden, being an integral part of the house, is charmingly planned and beautifully executed; full of color and interest, it can be enjoyed from the terrace which overlooks it.

"A BRONZE MEDAL to Mr. and Mrs. John C. Gilpin, 'Sugar Loaf Orchard', Chestnut Hill. Their garden, while very different in type, is equally delightful, utilizing the beauty of its location on the side of a hill, with an extensive view, and the natural advantages of orchard and trees to make a charming whole. The color sense of the owner is emphasized by her use of flowers and bulbs as they blend first with the blossoms, and later with the climbing roses which trail along the low stone wall.

"The Committee does not recommend awarding a Gold Medal this year. We believe that the Gold Medal should be awarded only to those gardens which completely qualify in the gold medal class. Several gardens which might ordinarily be considered as available are, because of the prevailing business depression, not being thoroughly kept up at the present time.

"The estimated cost of these medals is \$25.00. The budget allowance for the Committee on Garden Awards is \$150.00.

Upon motion of Mr. Farnum, duly seconded, the recommendations of the Committee on Garden Awards were accepted, and Mr. Serrill was complimented upon the excellent work of his committee.

The Chairman of the Library Committee, Mrs. Horatio Gates Lloyd, said she was happy to report a constantly increasing number of visitors to the library and also to announce that an important gift has been promised to the library by a member of the Executive Council, Mr. Alex. MacLeod. The gift is an English publication of about fifty years ago, entitled "County Seats of Great Britain and Ireland", in six volumes. This will be an interesting and valuable accession to the library.

Upon motion of Mrs. Elliott, a vote of thanks was extended to Mr. MacLeod.

The Chairman of the Lecture Committee, Mrs. William T. Elliott, reported that her Committee is arranging a series of six lectures for the coming winter, the complete program of which will be announced at the next meeting. She said that the plan will be tried of presenting six lectures instead of the usual three, and in order not to exceed the customary budget appropriation, local speakers would be secured, the fee not to exceed \$25.00 in any case. Traveling expenses will thus be eliminated and, too, the auditorium can be rented at a lower price for each rental if the number is doubled.

The President called attention to the date of the Annual Meeting, November 16th. It was announced that a Question Box will be arranged as a special feature of the meeting. Mr. Burpee suggested having a table for unusual plants and flowers and it was decided to do this. The hour of the Council meeting was changed to 2:30 on November 16th, in order to allow time to transact the necessary business before the Annual Meeting which is called for 3:30 P.M.

An informal discussion of exhibitions, led by Mr. George L. Farnum, Chairman of the Exhibition Committee, followed: Mr. Farnum reported that the Spring Show at the Merion Cricket Club last June was exceptionally fine in quality but said that after the exhibitors had arranged their exhibits, only a handful of people came to see them. As these shows are expensive to the Society

and demand a great deal of time and trouble on the part of exhibitors, it would hardly seem worth while to continue them if the exhibitions are not going to be seen. It was suggested that a private club-house might not be an advantageous place to hold shows, and that a more public location might draw larger numbers. Mr. Farnum said that a plan for next year's Spring Show that promises well has been proposed, namely, to hold it either at Rutledge, in a tent adjacent to the Fire Hall where the Rutledge Society will hold its Spring Show at the same time, or, in conjunction with the Rutledge Society, in a tent on the Swarthmore College campus. The Swarthmore location would have the advantage of linking up the Show with the Arthur Hoyt Scott Arboretum. Also, neighboring garden clubs, in addition to Rutledge, might be invited to co-operate in the Show. It was felt by the Council that the Swarthmore plan would be preferable if arrangements can be made. So far as the Dahlia Show is concerned, Mr. Farnum reported that there was a much larger attendance than usual this fall. Interest in the flowers by the visitors to the Horse Show seems to be increasing each year, and the Exhibition Committee advises going along with the Bryn Mawr Horse Show again next year. In connection with the schedule of the Dahlia Show, the Exhibition Committee met just before the Council meeting and made several changes which they plan to incorporate in the schedule next year. (These changes were enumerated but as they will be in effect in the schedule in future, they are not stated here.) The most important of these was discussed at the Council meeting last month but no action was taken. It provides for a new ruling prohibiting members of the household of a professional gardener, florist or commercial grower from exhibiting in the strictly amateur classes. Mr. Farnum asked permission of the Executive Council at the present meeting to adopt such a ruling, because his Committee feels strongly that it is the proper course to pursue.

Upon motion of Mr. Bockius, all of the recommendations made by Mr. Farnum in behalf of the Exhibition Committee were approved.

The Chairman of the Nominating Committee, Mr. S. S. Pennock, reported that the following members of the Executive Council have been nominated for re-election to serve during 1933, '34 and '35: Mr. Morris R. Bockius, Mr. W. Atlee Burpee, Jr., Mrs. J. Norman Henry, Mrs. Horatio Gates Lloyd, Mr. J. Franklin McFadden, Mr. W. Hinckle Smith and Mr. John C. Wister. If no additional nominations are made in writing by fifteen or more members before November 1st, these persons will be elected by motion at the November meeting of the Executive Council.

The President reminded the members that there still exists a vacancy in the Council caused by the death of Mr. Henry F. Michell.

The Secretary read a letter from Mrs. Jay V. Hare, the Society's representative at the semi-annual meeting of the Garden Club Federation of Pennsylvania, held in Erie on October 11th and 12th. Mrs. Hare wrote that the Federation had adopted a resolution thanking the Society for the use of its rooms for Board meetings, and that complete minutes of the meeting will be mailed to the member organizations of the Federation in due course of time. Mrs. Hare added that she had enjoyed representing the Society and that the meeting was most interesting.

Upon motion of Mrs. Lloyd, a vote of thanks was extended to Mrs. Hare for her good services.

In connection with the Garden Club Federation, the question was brought up as to whether the Society should retain active membership therein indefinitely

or whether it might be advisable to request another type of membership - possibly Associate or Sustaining. Many of the individual memberships in the Society are duplicated in other societies and clubs that are also member organizations of the Federation, and consequently the total membership of individuals in the Federation (which is often stressed) is erroneous as it appears much larger than is actually the case. In addition, if at some future time activities are adopted by the Federation which require a per capita tax on individual members the Society, (having many more members than any of the other member organizations) might find itself in an awkward situation on account of the large expense involved. This matter of type of membership could be adjusted more easily now when the headquarters are established in the Society's rooms and the Society is in close touch with the Federation officers than later on when the headquarters may be moved to the western or central part of the State. No action was taken upon the matter but the President asked that it be borne in mind.

The President announced that the William Penn Commemoration Committee (sponsored by the Historical Society of Pennsylvania) of which this Society is a constituent organization, would celebrate the 250th anniversary of the First Landing of William Penn in a meeting at Convention Hall, on Monday afternoon, October 21st. Tickets are available in the office to members visiting the rooms or library but they have not been mailed to the entire membership on account of the large expense involved. As the meeting is not of horticultural interest, the officers felt they were not justified in spending the Society's money to further it, but tickets were mailed to Committee members to show the Society's interest and tickets are available to Council members and to other active members who use the rooms.

The President said he would like to make a suggestion in connection with the observance of the William Penn anniversary - namely, that it would be a nice thing for the Society to offer to the city a group of shade trees, possibly red oak, to be planted by the Park Commission in a suitable location. The trees should be accompanied by an appropriate marker - naming the Society as donor of this group of William Penn Memorial Trees. The expense would not exceed \$100.00, which is available in the Society's funds.

Upon motion of Mr. Burpee, the President's suggestions were approved. Mr. Wister was appointed to take charge of the matter.

The Treasurer, Mr. S. S. Pennock, reported that the various standing Committees had kept within their budget appropriations so far this year.

Thanks were extended to Mr. Pennock for beautiful Roses, to Mr. Farnum for lovely and unusual Dahlias and to Mrs. Lloyd for a collection of berry-bearing shrubs, all of which were brought to the rooms for the Council meeting. Also, Mrs. J. Norman Henry was thanked for Asters (brought in earlier in the month) and Mr. W. Atlee Burpee for Gladiolus collections which he had supplied to the rooms continually throughout the long Gladiolus season.

There being no other business, the meeting, on motion, adjourned.

John C. Wister
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Secretary.

November 16, 1932.

A regular meeting of the EXECUTIVE COUNCIL OF THE PENNSYLVANIA HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY was held in the rooms of the Society on the above date. The President, Mr. C. Frederick C. Stout was in the Chair.

Those present were: Mr. Morris R. Bockius, Mr. W. Atlee Burpee, Jr., Mrs. William T. Elliott, Mr. George L. Farnum, Mr. Jay V. Hare, Mrs. J. Norman Henry, Mr. J. Franklin McFadden, Dr. J. Horace McFarland, Mrs. Arthur H. Scott, Mr. William J. Serrill, Mr. W. Hinckle Smith, Mr. C. F. C. Stout and Mr. John C. Wister.

Regrets had been received from Mr. F. E. Dixon, Mr. F. R. Furness, Mr. Alex MacLeod and Mr. S. S. Pennock.

The minutes of the meeting on October 19th were approved as published and distributed.

The Secretary reported the total membership as of the above date (November 16th) to be 3671. There were sixty general visitors during October, and eighty-three visitors to the Library. The Secretary also mentioned that there were three hundred and twenty-four visitors to the Hardy Chrysanthemum Show, which was held in this building on November 2nd and 3rd.

Eleven new members, having been duly proposed, were elected upon motion of Mrs. Elliott.

The Secretary reported that there are now twelve Honorary Members enrolled in the Society. He thought the Council ought to consider adding a few more to the list from time to time. The names of several horticultural authorities were suggested by some of the members. After some discussion, it was

RESOLVED, That the President appoint a Committee of three to consider such nominations for Honorary Membership as may be referred to it by the Executive Council, with the provision that not more than five be recommended at any one time.

(Dr. J. Horace McFarland has since been appointed Chairman of the Committee, with Mrs. J. Norman Henry and Mr. John C. Wister as the other members.)

Upon motion of Dr. J. Horace McFarland, duly seconded, the following persons, having been nominated some time ago by the Nominating Committee, were re-elected members of the Executive Council to serve during 1933, 1934 and 1935: Mr. Morris R. Bockius, Mr. W. Atlee Burpee, Jr., Mrs. J. Norman Henry, Mrs. Horatio Gates Lloyd, Mr. J. Franklin McFadden, Mr. W. Hinckle Smith and Mr. John C. Wister.

The vacancy in the Council occasioned by the death of Mr. Henry F. Michell was mentioned and a list of candidates, suggested from time to time by Council members, was read by the Secretary. Mr. William Warner Harper was the unanimous selection from this list, and the Secretary was instructed to find out from Mr. Harper if he will accept the appointment. In case he will accept it, the Council members agreed to elect him at the December meeting.

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Reports from the Standing Committees were omitted on account of lack of time, the Annual Meeting being scheduled for 3:30 o'clock, immediately following the Council meeting.

The President announced that a letter had been received from Miss Emma Blakiston, Chairman of the School of Horticulture's Committee on Garden Days, in which she reviewed the Garden Day situation for the past four years and proposed two methods of financial co-operation by the Society for 1933. The first proposal was that the Society purchase as many tickets as it desires from the School at a reduced rate and to distribute them as it sees fit. The second proposal was that the Society contribute ten per-cent of its income from dues (basing membership upon April 1st figures) and in return its members would be admitted free to all gardens, as has been the case ever since the arrangement with the School was entered into. There was a general discussion of the Garden Day situation and many expressions of opinion. However, in the limited time at its disposal, the Council did not feel that the matter could receive adequate consideration, and the Chairman of the Society's Garden Day Committee, Mr. J. Franklin McFadden, asked that he might call a meeting of his Committee and give further attention to the subject. The President gave the necessary permission, asking Mr. McFadden to have a report from his Committee ready to present at the December Council meeting. Mr. McFadden agreed to this and requested all the Council members to extend any ideas they may have to him as soon as possible.

Upon motion of Mrs. Elliott, the Council meeting adjourned, the members being urged to attend the Annual Meeting to be held in the auditorium on the sixteenth floor of the building.

John C. Wirtz
Secretary.

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ANNUAL MEETING

The Annual Meeting of The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society was held on November 16, 1932, in the auditorium of the Insurance Company of North America Building, 1600 Arch Street, Philadelphia.

The President, Mr. C. Frederick C. Stout, was in the Chair and called the meeting to order.

The Secretary, Mr. John C. Wister, announced the re-election of the following members to the Executive Council to serve during 1933, 1934 and 1935: Mr. Morris R. Bockius, Mr. W. Atlee Burpee, Jr., Mrs. J. Norman Henry, Mrs. Horatio Gates Lloyd, Mr. J. Franklin McFadden, Mr. W. Hinckle Smith and Mr. John C. Wister.

The President made a brief report for the year, covering the following points: membership, finances, the new Library, the Philadelphia Flower Show, the Society's relations with other organizations, its contributions to horticultural causes and the losses the Society had suffered through death.

The Secretary reported in greater detail upon the activities of the past year, as follows:

MEMBERSHIP AND FINANCES

Because finances occupy such an important place in all our minds this year, I shall start my report with a brief reference to the Society's financial condition. For the benefit of our new members, I wish to explain that the Society receives its income from two sources - an endowment fund which provides about two-thirds of its annual income, and the income from Annual and Life Memberships which makes up the remaining third, or about \$11,000.00. The endowment fund was made possible through the generosity of William L. Schaffer, who served as President of the Society from 1867 to 1884, and his sister, Miss Elizabeth Schaffer. It is in the form of a Trust Fund of which the Girard Trust Company is the trustee. It has been handled excellently and during this past year when the economic situation has been so acute, the Society has lost comparatively little income. Most of the fund is invested in mortgages, and interest payments have been slower than usual but so far none has been in actual default. Both the Massachusetts and the New York Society have much larger income than we have.

In regard to the income from membership dues, I am happy to report that this is larger in 1932 than it has ever been in the history of the Society - due to a net gain of 150 Annual Members and to the increasing interest from the Life Membership fund. Life Membership fees, of course, are invested and only the income is used. We hope in time to build up a really worth-while fund from these fees. At present, our income from this source is not quite \$2,000.00, while income from the Three Dollar Annual Dues (those of the New York Society are \$10.00) is about \$9,000.00. Last May, the Life Membership fee was raised to \$100.00, because it is practically impossible to get a \$3.00 yield on the old \$50.00 fee when invested.

We hope that some of our present members may find it possible to transfer to this class of membership, and thus show their interest in our work by helping us build up a larger endowment fund. The present ratio of 3400 Annual Members to 250 Life Members is badly out of proportion.

Our President has told you that our today's membership is in round numbers 3650 - not much larger than the 3500 figure of last year, but still an encouraging gain under present conditions. We have an actual increase of 700 new members, but on the other hand we have a loss of 550 old members, due largely to the economic situation, so that our net gain is only 150.

In connection with finances, it seems proper to tell new members and to remind old members that no salaries are paid to the President, the Vice-Presidents, the Secretary, the Treasurer, or to any member of the Executive Council or of our various Committees. All these officials serve, and give much time to our work without any compensation whatsoever, because they believe they can further the cause of horticulture through the work of the Society. As all of them are busy people and give their time to the Society at the sacrifice of other personal or business affairs, it is proper that the members should not only know this and appreciate what they do, but should also understand why it is impossible for them to give more time, or their full time to the work of the Society. They cannot be expected to keep regular office hours like persons on a paid staff.

Our paid staff numbers four persons. They have been with the Society many years, are familiar with the work and give us loyal services. They are interested in their work, do not watch the clock and work long extra hours when necessary. We employ extra help at times of exhibitions and meetings, as necessary.

I hope I have not made this portion of the report too long but I want all our members to know all the facts.

LIBRARY

We are proud of our new quarters and hope that all of you will use and enjoy the more pleasant surroundings and the many new books and periodicals. In addition to purchases through our regular appropriations, we have had several valuable gifts of books, the latest one being a set of six volumes on English gardens presented by Mr. Alexander MacLeod, a member of the Executive Council.

LECTURES, EXHIBITIONS, GARDEN AWARDS

Detailed reports in our Year Book will cover the above subjects, so I shall not mention them today at length. I should, however, like to make the brief announcement of Garden Awards of Silver Medals to Mrs. Andrew Wheeler, "Le Chatelet", Ardmore, and to Mr. and Mrs. Frank Graham Thomson, "Brookmead Farm", Devon, and Bronze Medals to Mr. and Mrs. John H. Packard, 3rd, Chestnut Hill, and to Mr. and Mrs. John C. Gilpin, "Sugar Loaf Orchard", Chestnut Hill.

I should also like to call to your attention one of the problems that continues to worry our Exhibition Committee. It is not a new problem, - in fact it is one of our oldest. This is the question of our spring shows. This

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year, we had a particularly beautiful exhibition with an abundance of spring flowers, and after the exhibitors had gone to great pains to bring and stage their choicest selections, there was only a handful of people to see the show. It was given at the Merion Cricket Club, and the Exhibition Committee feels that perhaps it is a mistake to hold the show at a private club where the visitors may hesitate to go. The Committee isn't sure whether the trouble in getting a good attendance for the 1932 spring show and for many others in the past few years lies in an unfortunate choice of location (for which they are hardly to blame as it seems impossible to find a really good exhibition hall) or whether the fault is in the indifference of the public. So many good local flower shows have come into existence during the last five years or so, that possibly after people have seen the one in their own locality in which they are particularly interested, they don't care about making the effort to see another. Two years ago a successful spring show was held in conjunction with the Trevoise Horticultural Society, in Trevoise, and the Committee thinks possibly the plan of cooperating with different local organizations may prove the best way of handling the situation. The contact with Trevoise proved mutually stimulating and beneficial. However, many of the local organizations do not have large enough halls to accommodate a joint show, so that the overflow would have to occupy a tent which is not a satisfactory arrangement if we happen to strike a hot June day. Next spring, the Exhibition Committee hopes to hold a show in conjunction with the Rutledge Horticultural Society, thus visiting a section southwest of Philadelphia. Perhaps eventually a permanent solution will be found, for it seems too bad to give up these interesting exhibitions. However, if people do not care to come to see them, it would seem an unjustifiable waste of energy on the part of the exhibitors and waste of money by the Society to continue them. If any of you have any ideas on the subject, I am sure Mr. Farnum, Chairman of the Exhibition Committee, will be glad to hear them.

While I am on the subject of exhibitions, I wish to report that the Philadelphia Flower Show Association has decided to restrict their contribution of tickets to our members for the March Flower Show to one apiece, instead of giving each member two as they have been so very generous in doing other years. We are sorry that this change has been made, but think that in view of our fast-growing membership it is perfectly justified. In consideration of the many privileges which our members receive for their \$3.00 dues, they will I believe agree that they ought not to expect more than one ticket. If they do feel aggrieved, may I remind them again that the dues in the New York Society are \$10.00.

GARDEN DAYS

The 1932 Garden Days have been more successful than ever. As you probably remember, eleven Saturday afternoons in the spring and fall were reserved for the visits and fifty-nine gardens were opened. On account of the Washington Bicentennial, historical gardens were especially featured and this part of the program proved particularly enjoyable. As some of you may not understand the relations of the School of Horticulture and your Society in this "Garden Day" activity, I wish to explain that a Committee representing the School makes all the necessary preliminary arrangements, prints the program and obtains volunteers to take charge of entrances to the individual gardens on the various "Garden Days". The series is conducted

to provide much needed revenue for the School, and in order to avoid duplication by presenting a similar series, your Society in 1929 gave up its annual "Garden Days" and cooperated with the School in a joint program. An arrangement was made whereby the members of the Society were given the privilege of admission to the School's list of gardens in exchange for a cash contribution to be determined in advance each season. The amount started with \$250.00 in 1929 and has increased each year on account of the increasing number of Society members who use the privilege. This year an \$850.00 contribution was made.

RELATIONS WITH OTHER SOCIETIES AND "HORTICULTURE"

"Horticulture" has continued an outstanding privilege, being a source of almost universal interest and value to members. In addition to the magazine which serves the interests of the three largest Horticultural Societies of the East - Massachusetts, New York and Pennsylvania - other contacts of these three groups have been most harmonious and helpful. We have exchanged Gold Medals with both Massachusetts and New York as in other years, and we have also established an exchange of Medals with the American Dahlia Society. We have offered our medals, vases and plaquettes to twenty-six other organizations in an effort to stimulate interest in their Flower Shows. We have been glad to receive again this year the Iris Cup offered by Mrs. Horatio Gates Lloyd, and the Mrs. J. Will Martin Cup offered by Mrs. E. Florens Rivinus, for award at our shows. We hope other members will wish to establish individual trophies as they promote interest among the exhibitors.

MR. RUST - CONSULTANT IN HORTICULTURE

The Department of Garden Consultation, headed by Mr. Rust, has flourished and he has been of service to a large number of our members. I hope our new members will feel no hesitancy in calling upon him for advice - either at the Society's office or in their own gardens. May I repeat for the benefit of new members that there is absolutely no charge for Mr. Rust's services, except his actual traveling expenses when he visits members' gardens. Furthermore, there should be no hesitancy in calling upon him. You are entitled by your membership to use this service and he is paid by the Society for doing it. We particularly want our members with small places to avail themselves of this privilege.

CONTRIBUTIONS OF FLOWERS

Members have been very liberal in supplying flowers for our offices and Board Room, and I wish to assure them that we appreciate their thoughtfulness very much indeed. We have had some very interesting and rare flowers that are worthy of a special exhibition. We hope that more and more persons will want to bring us flowers next year. Among the members who have brought us flowers, plants or shrubs this year are Mr. W. Atlee Burpee, Jr., Mr. F. E. Dixon, Mr. George L. Farnum, Mr. Fairman R. Furness, Mr. and Mrs. Jay V. Hare, Mrs. J. Norman Henry, Mrs. Horatio Gates Lloyd, Mr. Alexander MacLeod, Mr. S. S. Pennock, Mrs. Alan Reed, Mr. W. H. Ritter, Mr. H. Arnold Todd, Miss Anne Wertsner, Mrs. Edgar T. Wherry and Mrs. Lillian T. Wright.

ARBORETUMS, etc.

I know of no new developments in the status of the Painter Arboretum,

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in whose final disposition many of you are interested. I hope that some of you are following the plans of the Arthur Hoyt Scott Horticultural Foundation at Swarthmore College, and I want you to know that those of us who are intimately connected with this project appreciate the interest that prompted so many of you to visit Swarthmore on a Garden Day last month. For the benefit of those who wish to know what is planned and what actually has been accomplished to date, an article telling something about the work that has been started there will be published in the Year Book. In regard to "Compton", the estate of Mr. John T. Morris and Miss Lydia Morris, I presume that most of you know from the papers that this was left to the University of Pennsylvania to be administered under a Board of Trustees as an arboretum and botanical garden, and that it will be formally opened next spring. This estate is distinguished for fine specimen trees and shrubs in many rare and unusual species.

CLOSING

In closing, I wish to remind you that the usefulness of the Society depends upon the interest and support of its members. If any lasting benefits to horticulture are to be accomplished, they must have their origin in the efforts of individuals. Those of us who cannot take the lead will, I am very sure, be glad to back such efforts with real enthusiasm.

If any of you have any questions about the work of the Society, its policies and its problems, will you please write them out and send them up to the desk at the time of the Question Box.

Before closing, the Secretary thanked the various members who have so generously contributed flowers and plants to the rooms of the Society throughout the year.

The Secretary's report was followed by the Question Box, the special feature of the meeting, and written questions submitted by members were referred to and answered by the following authorities: Mr. James Bush-Brown, Landscape Architecture; Mr. George L. Farnum, Dahlias; Mr. Charles K. Hallowell, Lawns; Mr. Wendell F. Oliver, Trees and Shrubs; Dr. J. Horace McFarland, Roses; Mr. H. G. Mattoon, Insects and Plant Diseases; Dr. Rodney H. True and Dr. H. H. York, Botany; Mr. David Rust, general gardening questions, and Mr. Stout, the President, questions about the Society.

So many questions were presented that it was only possible in the hour reserved for this part of the program to answer half of them, and members were told that if they would send duplicate questions, attaching their signatures, to the office, answers to their inquiries would be mailed to them.

Special tables had been reserved for plants and flowers brought to the meeting by members and these proved very interesting. Among the exhibits were two unusual collections of berry-bearing shrubs, displays of Hardy Chrysanthemums, some of the show varieties of this flower, a plant of *Crevillea thelemanniana* in bloom and *Osmanthus aquifolium* in flower.

At the conclusion of the meeting, one of the members asked from the floor if she might be allowed to express her appreciation of the priv-

illegals the Society offered, and her remarks were accepted with thanks by the President.

More than a hundred members attended the meeting, and it was considered most satisfactory.

John C. Wister
Secretary.

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December 21, 1932.

A regular meeting of the EXECUTIVE COUNCIL OF THE PENNSYLVANIA HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY was held in the rooms of the Society on the above date. The President, Mr. G. Frederick C. Stout, was in the Chair.

Those present were: Mrs. William T. Elliott, Mr. F. R. Furness, Mr. J. V. Hare, Mrs. J. Norman Henry, Mrs. Horatio Gates Lloyd, Mr. J. Franklin McFadden, Mr. J. Horace McFarland, Mr. Alex MacLeod, Mrs. Thomas Newhall, Mr. S. S. Pennock, Mrs. Arthur H. Scott, Mr. William J. Serrill, Mr. W. Hinckle Smith, Mr. C. F. C. Stout and Mr. John C. Wister.

Regrets had been received from Mr. W. Atlee Burpee, Jr., Mr. F. E. Dixon, Mr. George L. Farnum and Mr. J. P. Habermehl.

The minutes of the meeting on November 16th were approved as published and distributed.

The Secretary reported the total membership as of the above date to be 3687. There were 128 general visitors to the offices and 135 visitors to the Library during November. Eight Annual Members were added and eleven were lost - eight of this number being dropped for non-payment of dues. There was an attendance of 215 persons at Mrs. Caspar W. Hacker's interesting lecture and colored moving pictures "A Glimpse of the World", on the evening of November 29th.

The Secretary mentioned the award of the George Robert White Medal of Honor for 1932 to Mr. W. Albert Manda. He also spoke of the mountainside sign of the Bodger Seed Company, advertising this California firm. He thinks the Garden Club of America will lend its influence in trying to have this removed, and said he had written Mr. Seymour, Associate Editor of the Gardeners Exchange about the matter.

Twenty-one Annual Members whose names were proposed, were elected.

Mr. William Warner Harper who was nominated at the last meeting of the Council, was unanimously elected to fill the vacancy occasioned by the death of Mr. Henry F. Michell.

Election of officers for 1933 was held, and upon motion of Mr. W. Hinckle Smith, duly seconded, the Secretary was instructed to cast one vote for the re-election of all of the present officers. In accepting the office of President, Mr. Stout thanked the Council for their confidence in him and said that instead of presenting a report for the preceding year as has been the custom in the past, he would like to submit a brief history of the development of the Society during the last forty years, an important period in the life of the Society. He added that he had prepared this for the benefit of the newer members of the Council who were not familiar with the Society before the present regime, and had started the history with 1890, as this year marked a definite change in the Society's affairs.

Mr. Stout was congratulated upon his paper which contained much information not known before by many of the Council members. (As Mr. Stout's report will be published in the Year Book, it will not be printed in the copy of the minutes that is distributed to the Council).

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As there were no reports submitted by the Standing Committees, the President asked for the report of the Special Committee on Garden Days. Mr. J. Franklin McFadden, Chairman, presented the findings of the majority of his Committee setting forth that they were opposed to continuing the co-operation of the Society with the School of Horticulture in this activity. His report explained the reasons for their decision in detail, and in conclusion stated:

"The Committee felt that any arrangement for partial or complete free admissions nullified the gift feature of any contribution and would continue to create discontent on the part of the School management and that no arrangement was desirable that contained that feature. It was the belief of the Committee that any Garden Days of the Society would not entail any expense to the Society other than the printing and mailing of the notice. It was the opinion of the Committee that as the dissatisfaction with the arrangement this past summer was purely financial that a contribution with no free admission privilege was giving the School in another form even more than it requested, but in a form free from contention in the future and tending to maintain the existing present cordial relations."

A minority report was presented by Mr. John G. Wister, in which he complied with the request of the School that counter-proposals be offered if the Society did not find the two proposals of the School satisfactory. Mr. Wister suggested several plans of co-operation which he thought could be worked out, and after outlining them, he concluded his report by saying:

"All such counter-proposals would be subject to minor changes with which I am not primarily concerned. I am deeply concerned that, first, we should continue co-operation with the School, as I think it brings prestige to both organizations; second, we should help the School which I think we can do much more properly by paying for a privilege of this kind than by donating money as a gift; third, we should continue for our members the most popular privilege that they have ever enjoyed and which many of them will be sorry to see given up."

A general discussion of the matter followed and varying opinions were expressed. However, as the hour was late and several members were compelled to leave, it was decided to carry the decision of the question over to the next meeting, and in the meantime, the Secretary was instructed to send each member of the Council a copy of the majority and minority reports so that they may have an opportunity to consider them carefully before being called upon to vote on the matter.

The Special Committee on Honorary Members, Mr. J. Horace McFarland, Chairman, recommended the following persons for election to Honorary Membership: Henri Correvon, authority on rock plants, of Chenebourg, Switzerland; Alfred Rehder, Curator of the Herbarium, Arnold Arboretum, Jamaica Plain, Massachusetts; Mr. A. T. DeLaMare, editor of the Florists Exchange and well-known publisher of horticultural books, of New York City; Mr. B. Y. Morrison, editor of the National Horticultural Magazine and identified with the introduction of new plants in the Bureau of Plant Industry in Washington, D. C.

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Upon motion of Mrs. Scott, these persons were unanimously elected.

The President reported that a letter was at hand from The Elizabeth Price Martin Fellowship, asking that the Society become a member organization and to subscribe \$10.00 annually for the overhead administration of the Fellowship. The purpose is to perpetuate the influence which Mrs. Martin exerted and the Trustees hope to attain this by banding together now for future service all who desire to be counted among her friends, and later consider a permanent memorial to Mrs. Martin.

Upon motion of Mr. W. Hinckle Smith, it was voted that the Society become a member of the Elizabeth Price Martin Fellowship, and the Secretary was instructed to notify the President, Mrs. John Hampton Barnes.

The President in connection with his report earlier in the meeting had exhibited an organization chart of the Society, which showed the Standing and Special Committees and their relation to the Executive Council. He referred to these Committees again at this time and said he felt that the number of Standing Committees should be increased. In order to do this, it will be necessary to amend the By-Laws and upon motion of Mr. Serrill, it was voted that this be done at the next meeting. The Secretary was requested to send a notice of the proposed changes in the By-Laws with the notice of the January meeting.

As the hour was late, the meeting, upon motion, adjourned.

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Those present were: Mrs. William T. Elliott, Mrs. J. Norman Henry, Mrs. Horatio Gates Lloyd, Mr. W. Atlee Burpee, Jr., Mr. Jay V. Hare, Mr. J. Franklin McFadden, Mr. Alex MacLeod, Mr. S. S. Pennock, Mr. William J. Serrill, Mr. W. Hinckle Smith, Mr. C. F. C. Stout and Mr. John C. Wister.

Regrets were received from Mrs. Scott, Mr. Farnum, Mr. Furness, Mr. Habermehl and Dr. McFarland.

The minutes of the meeting on December 21st were approved as published and distributed.

The Secretary reported the total membership to be 3 . Fifty-five general visitors were recorded and sixty-seven visitors to the Library in December. Mr. Rust made four visits to gardens. Seven meetings were held in the rooms.

The Secretary also presented a comparative statement, by years, which covered total figures under the various headings which are usually reported month by month. The statement was as follows:

<u>Membership</u>			<u>Life Mem.</u>	<u>Mr. Rust</u>				<u>Visitors</u>	
<u>Year</u>	<u>Dec. 31</u>	<u>Net Gain.</u>		<u>Visits</u>	<u>Lec.</u>	<u>Judge</u>	<u>Meetings</u>	<u>Library</u>	<u>General</u>
1927	1344	234	(Total 83) New Life Members						
1928	1711	367	16				101	286	536
1929	2009	298	79	119			92	464	711
1930	2731	722	51	80	16	11	91	563	734
1931	3525	794	44	92	12	15	90	730	922
1932	3682	157	28	65	15	15	84	969	910

Note - No detailed records kept before 1928

The Treasurer reported that the Certified Public Accountant had completed his audit of the books of the Society and that copies of his detailed report were on file in the office where they might be inspected by Council members. He said that the Finance Committee would present the Budget for 1933 for approval at the next meeting of the Council, at which time the finances would be referred to at greater length.

Upon motion of Mr. W. Hinckle Smith, twenty-three Annual Members, having been duly proposed, were elected.

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The Chairman of the Executive Committee, Mr. Serrill, reported that his Committee had met on January 13th and prepared its budget for submission to the Finance Committee.

Mrs. Elliott, Chairman of the Lecture Committee, stated that the lecture on Flower Arrangement generously presented by Mrs. C. F. C. Stout on the prededing day, was most successful. The attendance numbered 425, second in size only to Mr. Hare's lecture two years ago. Mrs. Elliott also mentioned that the budget of the Lecture Committee was ready for the Finance Committee.

In the absence of Mr. Farnum, Chairman, Mr. Burpee stated that the Exhibition Committee would prepare its budget figures for the year very shortly. He had nothing further to report, as plans for the annual luncheon given at the time of the Philadelphia Flower Show are not yet formulated.

A vote of thanks was given to Mrs. Lloyd for her recent gift to the Library of three rare and valuable books. These are old editions as follows: Dodoen's "A Nievve Herbal," published in 1578; Gerarde's "Herball," published in 1633, and Parkinson's "Theatrum Botanicum," published in 1640.

A vote of thanks was also given to Mr. Charles F. Jenkins for a collection of horticultural prints and photographs, many of them of historic trees, which he recently presented to the Society.

In accordance with a motion made at the last meeting to amend the by-laws, at the present meeting, due notice of the contemplated changes having been sent with the notice of the meeting, the following amendments were adopted upon motion of Mr. Wister, seconded by Mrs. Lloyd.

Article XIII Standing Committees

Paragraph 1. (Changed to read as follows: Changes underlined)

There shall be eight Standing Committees, to be known as the Executive Committee, the Finance Committee, the Library Committee, the Lecture Committee, the Garden Committee, the Exhibition Committee, the Committee on Garden Awards and the Editorial Committee.

Paragraph 7. (Changed to read as follows: - Changes underlined)

The Garden Committee shall consist of five or more members. It shall be the duty of this Committee to consider plans for the development and promotion of the horticultural purposes of the Society, and, subject to and with the approval of the Executive Council, to carry out such plans and to perform such other similar duties as may from time to time be assigned to it by the Executive Council.

Paragraph 9. (To be added)

The Committee on Garden Awards shall consist of from five to seven members. It shall be the duty of this Committee to visit outstanding gardens of the members for the purpose of making such recommendations for awards as

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may seem to them desirable, and to perform such other similar duties as may from time to time be assigned to it by the Executive Committee.

Paragraph 10. (To be added)

The Editorial Committee shall consist of from three to five members. It shall be the duty of this Committee to prepare and edit publications of the Society, either of scientific or practical nature or descriptive of the Society's activities, including the Year Book and special pamphlets, and articles for "Horticulture" or other publications, and to perform such other similar duties as may from time to time be assigned to it by the Executive Council.

The President, with the approval of the Council, appointed the following Standing Committees for the current year, explaining that there might be one or two changes in personnel later and that he was not ready at this time to name the members of the newly created Editorial Committee.

STANDING COMMITTEES

Executive Committee

Mr. William J. Serrill, Chairman
Mr. Benjamin Bullock
Mr. W. Atlee Burpee, Jr.
Mr. Jay V. Hare
Mr. John C. Wister

Lecture Committee

Mrs. William T. Elliott, Chairman
Mrs. Horatio Gates Lloyd
Mr. John C. Wister

Exhibition Committee

Mr. George L. Farnum, Chairman
Mr. W. Atlee Burpee
Mrs. William T. Elliott
Mr. Fairman Furness
Mr. Jay V. Hare
Mr. Alexander MacLeod
Mrs. Arthur H. Scott
Mrs. Joseph P. Sims

Library Committee

Mrs. Horatio Gates Lloyd, Chairman
Mrs. E. Page Allinson
Miss Kitty Brinton
Mrs. Nathan Hayward
Mrs. John H. Packard
Mrs. Alan H. Reed
Mrs. Edward H. York, Jr.

Finance Committee

Mr. Fitz Eugene Dixon, Chairman
Mr. S. S. Pennock
Mr. W. Hinckle Smith

Garden Committee

Mr. John C. Wister, Chairman
Mrs. Benjamin Bullock
Mrs. Edward M. Cheston
Mr. Thomas W. Sears
Dr. Rodney H. True

Two New Committees

Committee on Garden Awards

(Formerly a Special Committee)

Mr. William J. Serrill, Chairman
Mrs. Richard L. Barrows
Mrs. Benjamin Bullock
Mrs. A. F. M. Chandler
Mrs. J. Thomas Liggett

Editorial Committee

(To be appointed later)

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The President mentioned the Judging Course which will be held on January 23 - 26, in this building, under the auspices of the Garden Club Federation with this Society cooperating, and said that Mr. Wister would be one of the speakers during the course.

The Secretary reported on a billboard matter which Mrs. Elliott had requested the Council to act upon, and upon motion of Mrs. Elliott, seconded by Mr. Serrill, the following Resolution was adopted:

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The United States Post Office Department has placed billboards on United States Route No. 9, from Albany to New York, and United States Highway No. 20, from Albany west, for the purpose of advertising the Parcel Post System, using billboards which have been given free for this purpose by the Interstate Display Company, and

WHEREAS, The Garden Club of America and many other organizations have protested against these billboards and Mr. Frederic A. Tilton, Third Assistant Postmaster General, has on January 12th, promised that in view of the protests the Post Office Department will take steps to discontinue the use of their billboards, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society commends the Third Assistant Postmaster General for his willingness to discontinue these billboards, and also respectfully requests that he remove them where now existing. It asks that this be done at the earliest possible moment in order that the United States Government shall not seem to sanction the desecration of our scenery by outdoor advertising on our highways.

The next business was the subject of Garden Days. The Majority Report and Minority Report which had been submitted at the last meeting and copies of both reports later sent to all members of the Executive Council, were discussed at length.

After giving the members an opportunity to express their views the President called for a vote as to whether the Majority Report should be accepted, and of the twelve present, five members voted to accept it and six voted against accepting it. The President did not vote as there was not a tie.

Upon Motion of Mr. Burpee, duly seconded, it was voted to discharge the Committee with grateful appreciation of the efforts they had expended upon the work.

As there was no further business, the Committee on motion adjourned

Secretary

John S. Wister

REPORT OF CONFEREES APPOINTED BY THE BOARD OF
DIRECTORS OF THE SCHOOL OF HORTICULTURE FOR WOMEN AND THE EXECUTIVE
COUNCIL OF THE PENNSYLVANIA HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY TO DISCUSS GARDEN DAYS.

The conferees appointed by the Board of Directors of the School of Horticulture for Women and the Executive Council of The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society to discuss Garden Days, met on January 25th, in the rooms of the Society. Mrs. Benjamin Bullock represented the School, and Mr. Frederick C. Stout represented the Society.

The conferees agreed that the basis of their discussion would have to be predicated upon co-operation, and the first matter to be clarified was the feeling of the Board of the School in regard to continuing Garden Days on that basis. It was unequivocally expressed that they had no intention whatever of disturbing that principle and thereby facing any of the difficulties and criticisms that might arise from having two series of "Days;" that as a matter of fact, they had valued and appreciated the co-operation of the Horticultural Society and had only felt that conditions had changed in the last few years inasmuch as the membership of the Horticultural Society had grown so tremendously that it had, in turn, curtailed the receipts which they felt they should have had. In studying the figures, they seem to prove this contention.

With this background, the conferees discussed practically all of the principles that were involved on both sides; likewise many of the suggestions that had been made. It was felt by the conferees that the rights and privileges of both the Society and the School should be protected, and should be clarified and restated. It was agreed that the arrangement should not drift into a position where the Society at least seemed to be giving up its rights to have Garden Days, or into a position where it might ultimately become financially responsible for the School's support.

The conferees agreed that the Garden Days as they had been given were of great interest to the members of the Horticultural Society and of educational value in inspiring them to become horticultural-minded. It was also agreed that the Garden Days were most important to the School of Horticulture in raising money for the support of the School.

The conferees agreed that it is practically impossible to say how many individual members of the Horticultural Society visit gardens. Many members could visit many different gardens and, on the other hand, a smaller number who were particularly interested could visit all the gardens and the gate records would be the same in either case. Therefore, it was found difficult to use the figures that had been produced as any exact yardstick.

In the light of all the discussion that had been held and suggestions that had been made, the conferees, in order to clearly define the status of both organizations, decided to recommend to their respective Boards the following plan:

REPORT OF CONFEREES (continued)

That The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society make a donation of \$200.00 to the School of Horticulture independent of any consideration whatsoever of Garden Days.

That the co-operation be brought closer by having the School of Horticulture confer with our Committee on Garden Awards in making up the program, with the thought in mind that if the Horticultural Society has any suggestions to make in regard to having special gardens opened, they can be made at that time.

It was agreed by the conferees that an appropriate amount at the present time for the Horticultural Society to expend for this privilege to its members would be \$850.00.

The conferees felt - to further clarify the significance of these recommendations - that by separating the Society's gift to the School from the amount to be expended upon Garden Days, the situation was cleared up in so far as it had been drifting into a condition of uncertainty involving the rights and privileges of both the Society and the School.

The conferees discussed many of the suggestions that had been made, such as the issuing of tickets to Society members, the curtailing of the number of gardens or of "Days," and finally came to the conclusion that the simpler the arrangement, the better and the more workable it would be; and they therefore brushed all these suggestions to one side for they had decided that Garden Days hereafter were to be understood by both sides as Garden Days of the Horticultural Society as well as of The School of Horticulture.

In submitting the solution of the problem of Garden Days, it is, of course, in the very nature of things understood that this arrangement, or any arrangement that might be proposed, could not in any sense be understood to infringe upon the rights of individual members of either the Society or the School to open their gardens at any time to any group that they saw fit, but in so doing the courtesy of extending full information to both sides would be accepted in the light of a spirit of friendly co-operation.

It was agreed by the conferees that as long as this co-operation remained in effect the Society itself should not have separate "Days" open to all its members. It is also understood that The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society can only act from year to year on any of its arrangement, or donation that involve its budgets.

Respectfully submitted,
(Signed) SARA H. BULLOCK
Representative of Board of
Directors of The School of Horticulture
for Women

(Signed) C. FREDERICK C. STOUT
Representative of Executive Council
of The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society.

February 8, 1933.

A regular meeting of the EXECUTIVE COUNCIL OF THE PENNSYLVANIA HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY was held in the rooms of the Society on the above date. The President, Mr. C. Frederick C. Stout, was in the Chair.

Those present were: Mrs. J. Norman Henry, Mr. W. Atlee Burpee, Jr., Mr. Jay V. Hare, Mr. William Warner Harper, Mr. J. Franklin McFadden, Mr. Alex. MacLeod, Mr. S. S. Pennock, Mr. William J. Serrill, Mr. C. F. C. Stout and Mr. John C. Wister. As this was Mr. Harper's first meeting, a cordial welcome was extended to him.

Regrets were received from Mrs. Elliott, Mr. Farnum, Mr. Furness, Mr. Habermehl, Mrs. Lloyd, Dr. McFarland, Mrs. Scott and Mr. W. Hinckle Smith.

The minutes of the meeting held on January 18th were approved as published and distributed.

The first matter taken up was Garden Days, in order that Mr. McFadden, who had to leave early, might be present for the discussion. The report submitted by Mrs. Benjamin Bullock, representing the School of Horticulture, and Mr. Stout, representing the Society (copies of which had been sent to every member of the Council) was placed before the meeting. Mr. Serrill moved that the report be accepted and Mr. MacLeod seconded the motion. The report was then examined and discussed in detail. Mr. McFadden voiced the opinion that the Society should not entangle itself with the School in this activity, although he felt the Society should endorse the School's program and give them an outright contribution for their work. The two closing paragraphs of the report were criticized by Mr. McFadden - the first of these because it closed the door to the Society's having Garden Days of its own if it should choose, whereas he felt the Society should retain this right, and the other paragraph because he understood it meant a permanent contract or else it wasn't necessary. It was his belief the Society should not bind itself for the future "by any condition on which the School can base any charge in the future of breach of agreement or understanding, and this paragraph has that possibility."

The Secretary reported that Mr. Hinckle Smith had stated practically the same objections over the telephone just before the meeting. He also reported that Dr. McFarland was in favor of continued co-operation, and read a letter from Mr. Farnum endorsing co-operation. A letter from Mrs. Lloyd was read in which she protested that the School should receive a larger sum in 1933 than in 1932, when the Standing Committees had their appropriations cut this year. The opinion of other absent members was not known.

The President called for a vote, and the following members voted to accept the report: Mr. Burpee, Mr. Hare, Mr. Harper, Mr. MacLeod, Mr. Pennock, Mr. Serrill and Mr. Wister. Mrs. Henry voted against accepting it. Mr. McFadden had to leave before the vote was taken. The President did not vote as there was not a tie.

NOTE: The two paragraphs objected to by Mr. McFadden were later changed with the consent of Mrs. Bullock to read as now given in these minutes. The report, as accepted by the Executive Council of the Society and the Board of Directors of the School of Horticulture, now stands as follows (see pages 179, a and b.)

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In the absence of Mr. F. E. Dizon, Chairman, the Treasurer, Mr. S. S. Pennock, read the following report of the Finance Committee, including the Budget for 1933.

"Inasmuch as a number of the mortgages held by The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society have defaulted in their interest payments, your Committee have felt it necessary to be conservative in making up the Budget for the year, 1933. While they have tried to be as liberal as possible they have unanimously recommended that the various Committees be allotted sums of money to expend during the year as set forth on the following statement.

"Your Committee further recommends that the Treasurer be empowered to invest the amount standing to the credit of the Society in the Life Membership Account - this amount being \$1,319.51.

"Your Committee further recommends that Schedule 6, as shown by the report of the Certified Public Accountant, which includes General and Life Membership Accounts, be set up in this report so as to segregate the investments in the General and Life Membership Accounts."

BUDGET FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR, 1933.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE - Mr. William J. Serrill, Chairman

Rent - 3/4 exclusive of storage	\$3,375.00	
Salaries - Miss Gibbons and Miss Root	4,020.00	
Insurance	150.00	
Postage	450.00	
General Printing and Stationery	450.00	
Year Book	1,300.00	
Treasurer's Bond	25.00	
Water, Ice, Towels, Floor	140.00	
Telephone	200.00	
New Equipment	200.00	
Miscellaneous	800.00	\$11,110.00

LECTURE COMMITTEE - Mrs. William T. Elliott, Chairman

Lecture Expenses	650.00	650.00
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EXHIBITION COMMITTEE - Mr. George L. Farnum, Chairman

Rent of Storage Space	500.00	
Salaries (Portions -Miss Samuel 300, Mr. Rust, 1,000)	1,300.00	
Philadelphia Flower Show	2,000.00	
Spring Flower Show	300.00	
Dahlia Show	1,000.00	
Hardy Chrysanthemum Show	250.00	
New Equipment, Repairs, Miscellaneous	250.00	
Medals, Vases, Plaquettes	500.00	
Rent of Exhibition Hall or Tent	250.00	6,350.00

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<u>LIBRARY COMMITTEE</u> - Mrs. Horatio Gates Lloyd, Chairman		
Rent - 1/4 of total rent of Rooms	\$1,125.00	
Salary - 5/6 of Miss Samuel's total salary	1,500.00	
Subscriptions to periodicals	150.00	
New books	500.00	
Binding	200.00	
Office expenses (postage, labels, etc.)	100.00	\$3,575.00
<u>COMMITTEE ON GARDEN AWARDS</u> - Mr. W. J. Serrill, Chairman		
Medals, etc.	150.00	150.00
<u>COMMITTEE ON GARDEN CONSULTATION</u> , Mr. John C. Wister, Chairman		
2/3 of Mr. Rust's total salary	2,000.00	2,000.00
<u>SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS</u>		
Garden Days	1,200.00	
"Horticulture"	2,375.00	
Brown Canker Fund	100.00	
Entertainment (Phila. Flower Show Luncheon)	100.00	
Publicity (Membership drive by office)	600.00	
Depreciation	1,500.00	5,875.00
TOTAL		\$29,710.00

Upon motion of Mr. Hare, duly seconded, the report of the Finance Committee was accepted.

The Secretary reported for January as follows. Forty-four Annual Members were added during the month; fifty-seven members resigned; there were seven deaths and fourteen members were dropped for non-payment of dues, making a loss of seventy-eight members. Mr. Rust visited two gardens; there were eighteen meetings in the rooms; 107 general visitors and 169 visitors to the Library.

In the absence of Mrs. Elliott, Chairman of the Lecture Committee, Mr. Wister reported that the three lectures given so far this year have been very successful. At Mrs. Stout's afternoon talk on January 17th, the attendance was 425; on the evening of January 31, when Miss Anne Wertsner spoke on "Rock Garden Plants," the attendance was 200, and it was approximately the same at Dr. Edgar T. Wherry's afternoon lecture on "Eastern Wild Flowers and their Cultivation," February 7.

Upon motion of Mr. Serrill, thirty-three persons were elected Annual Members, making the total membership 3642.

In the absence of Mr. Farnum, Chairman, Mr. Jay V. Hare, Acting Chairman of the Society's part in the Philadelphia Flower Show, reported that Mrs. Sims and her committee are working hard on the garden club classes.

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The President spoke of plans for the opening of the Flower Show, saying he had just returned from Harrisburg where he had gone to invite Governor Pinchot to speak at the opening on March 27, but found that it would be impossible for the Governor to get away then as the Legislature will be in session. The President said he would appoint a small committee to make arrangements for the luncheon and opening exercises.

A letter was read from Mr. A. J. Deer in Pittsburgh, inquiring if the Society would take some action in regard to selecting a State Flower. Pennsylvania is the only State that hasn't one. Mr. Deer suggested Azalea nudiflora as a good choice. It was moved that the President appoint a small committee to consider the matter and report back to the Council.

As there was no further business, the meeting, on motion, adjourned.

John C. Wicks
Secretary.

March 15, 1933.

A regular meeting of the EXECUTIVE COUNCIL OF THE PENNSYLVANIA HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY was held in the rooms of the Society on the above date. The President, Mr. C. Frederick C. Stout, was in the Chair.

Those present were: Mrs. William T. Elliott, Mrs. J. Norman Henry, Mrs. Horatio Gates Lloyd, Mr. John P. Habermehl, Mr. Alex. MacLeod, Mr. William J. Serrill and Mr. C. F. C. Stout.

Regrets were received from Mr. Farnum, Mr. Pennock and Mr. Wister.

The minutes of the meeting held on February 8th were approved as published and distributed.

A letter from the Secretary was read in which he reported as follows: "During the month of February there were forty-three new members added and a loss of twenty-nine old members. Eight meetings were held in the rooms; there were ninety-eight general visitors and 190 visitors to the library; Mr. Rust delivered one lecture to a garden club and held several conferences with members.

"Five lectures have been given in the 1933 series -

January 17,	Mrs. C. F. C. Stout on 'Flower Arrangement,'	Attendance	425
January 31,	Miss Anne Wertsner, 'Rock Garden Plants'	"	196
February 7,	Dr. Edgar T. Wherry, 'Eastern Wild Flowers and Their Cultivation'	"	204
February 14,	Dr. William Seifrizz, 'The Plant Life of the Caucasus'	"	83
February 21,	Mr. R. Marion Hatton, 'Roses'	"	165
	Total		1,073

"Dr. Seifrizz's lecture was on a very bad foggy night which may have prevented many people from coming."

Upon motion of Mrs. Lloyd the Secretary's report was ordered filed.

The names of fifty-three persons were proposed for Annual Membership and upon motion of Mr. MacLeod they were duly elected. The total number of members as of the above date was 3649.

The Chairman of the Library Committee, Mrs. H. G. Lloyd, reported that ninety-one volumes of periodicals, bulletins, etc., have been bound recently in addition to new purchases which have been made. She called attention to an old copy of the By-Laws of the Society, published in 1831, recently brought into the Society's rooms by a Mr. Taylor. She said that she would be very glad to express to Mr. Taylor the Council's appreciation of the gift when his address is secured.

The President said the Society has been asked by the Philadelphia Flower Show, Inc. again this year to invite a few prominent persons to luncheon and ~~then~~ to speak at the formal opening of the Show in the Commercial Museum. He reported that he had succeeded in persuading Mr. Richardson Wright of New York to attend and make an address and Mayor Moore had also

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promised to speak, but various other important people who were invited had been unable to accept. The President, with the approval of the Council, appointed a committee composed of Mrs. J. Norman Henry, Mr. William J. Serrill, Mr. W. Atlee Burpee, Jr., to secure an additional speaker and to take full charge of the affair.

The President also reported that the Society had been asked by Mr. Henderson and Mr. Philip Staples of the Philadelphia Unemployment Relief Committee for suggestions in regard to community gardens for the coming summer. Mr. Stout said he considered the Garden Committee, of which Mr. Wister is Chairman, well equipped to advise on such a project. Mr. MacLeod was added to the Committee because he had ~~had~~ valuable experience last summer in connection with similar gardens on the Main Line.

Upon motion of Mr. Serrill it was

RESOLVED, That The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society is perfectly willing to help make plans for community gardens through its Garden Committee. (Since the meeting the Committee has learned that another organization is taking the lead in this movement so that the Garden Committee is not asked to function at the present time).

The question of a State Flower was again considered and the Council recommended Azalea nudiflora (Wild Honeysuckle) in case the Society is asked to name its choice.

The President announced that the Society will be represented by Mrs. Charles S. Starr and Mr. John C. Wister at the Annual Meeting of the Garden Club Federation of Pennsylvania, to be held at Strawberry Mansion on March 28th.

In connection with Garden Days, the President said that the payment of the Society's outright gift of \$200.00 to the School of Horticulture will be made very shortly, and it was agreed that the appropriation for the Garden Days shall be made in two installments later on. The President also called attention to the changes in the last two paragraphs of the agreement between the conferees representing the School and the Society, which were made to meet the objections of members of the Council who criticized these paragraphs in their original form.

The President read a short statement showing the Society's finances are still in good condition.

As there was no further business, the meeting, on motion, adjourned.

Charles E. Stout
 Meeting President.

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A regular meeting of the EXECUTIVE COUNCIL OF THE PENNSYLVANIA HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY was held in the rooms of the Society on the above date. The President, Mr. C. Frederick C. Stout, was in the Chair.

Those present were: Mrs. William T. Elliott, Mrs. Horatio Gates Lloyd, Mrs. Thomas Newhall, Mrs. Arthur H. Scott, Mr. George L. Farnum, Mr. Fairman R. Furness, Mr. Jay V. Hare, Mr. S. S. Pennock, Mr. W. Hinckle Smith, Mr. William J. Serrill and Mr. C. F. C. Stout.

Regrets were received from Mrs. Henry, Mr. Burpee, Mr. Dixon, Mr. Habermehl, Mr. Harper, Mr. McFadden, Dr. McFarland, Mr. MacLeod and Mr. Wister. Mr. Wister's absence was due to the fact that he was speaking before The Horticultural Society of New York at their regular monthly meeting which falls on the same day as our own.

Before the minutes of the meeting held on March 15th were accepted, a change was ordered made in the last sentence of the paragraph about Garden Days, in accordance with the suggestion of one of the members. This sentence, as corrected, reads: "The President also called attention to the changes in the last two paragraphs of the agreement between the conferees representing the School and the Society, which were made to meet the objections of members of the Council to (former wording 'who criticized') these paragraphs in their original form." The minutes were then approved as corrected.

The Secretary's figures for March were read, in his absence, as follows: One hundred and fifty-five new members were added during the month, against which there was a loss of fifty-eight old members. Mr. Rust gave three talks to garden clubs; eight meetings were held in the Council Room; there were one hundred and five general visitors and one hundred and forty-seven visitors to the Library.

The names of one hundred and fifty-three persons were proposed for Annual Membership and, upon motion of Mrs. Elliott, these persons were duly elected. The total membership of the Society as of the above date was 3760.

Mr. Farnum reported that the Society's part in the Philadelphia Flower Show had been carried through in a most gratifying manner. Mrs. Joseph P. Sims made an excellent Chairman of the Committee in charge of the Society's classes, and the Walled Garden, designed and executed for the Society by Mr. Charles Willing, was one of the most attractive exhibits in the Show. Mr. Farnum said that as a mark of appreciation, he would like to propose that a cash award of \$50.00 be given to Mrs. Sims and a gold medal to Mr. Willing. He called attention to the serious effort and large amount of time they had devoted to their work, and upon motion of Mr. Hare, duly seconded, a vote of thanks was extended to both Mrs. Sims and Mr. Willing, and Mr. Farnum's recommendation of awards was approved.

In connection with the luncheon held at The Barclay immediately before the opening of the Flower Show on March 27th, the beautiful flowers which decorated the tables and the lovely corsages at the ladies' places were commented upon, and upon motion of Mrs. Elliott a vote of thanks was given to Mr. John P. Habermehl for his unstinted generosity in making this contribution. A short report of the luncheon was read, which stated that there were fifty-one persons

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present, twenty-five of whom were members of the Council and their personal guests. The President mentioned the difficult conditions under which the special guests, who had been invited to open the Flower Show, had to make their addresses at the Commercial Museum following the luncheon, and said that he would not feel justified in inviting speakers another year unless there is a decided improvement in conditions.

No attendance figures for the Flower Show were available but judging from appearances the members agreed that there was a larger attendance than last year.

The President said he thought plans should be started soon for our part in next year's Show, and the Chairman of the Exhibition Committee stated that he hopes to call a meeting of his Committee early in May.

Letters of thanks to the Council and to the Chairman of the Exhibition Committee from Mrs. J. Julian Southerland, president of the International Tropical Flower Show (held the latter part of March at Miami Beach, Florida) were reported, in which Mrs. Southerland stated that the Society's silver medal was awarded to the Venezuelan Government for its orchid exhibit.

The President called attention to a letter from Mrs. George H. Lorimer, Chairman of the Women's Washington Bicentennial Committee, requesting the Society to participate in the Ceremony of Dedication that will make the planting of the Washington Memorial Trees on the East River Drive, on May 8th. The letter explained that suitable trees can be purchased and planted by the Committee for Three Dollars each.

Upon motion of Mr. Farnum, it was

RESOLVED, That Thirty Dollars shall be given to the Women's Washington Bicentennial Committee with which to purchase ten trees to represent the Society in this planting.

The President reported receipt of a letter from Governor Pinchot in which the Governor deplored the cutting of the appropriations he had requested for agricultural purposes and appealed to Mr. Stout "to do all in his power to impress upon his legislator that this is no time to play politics with bankrupt agriculture."

Another letter was referred to by Mrs. Elliott which she, as Chairman of the Council for Preservation of Natural Beauty in Pennsylvania, had sent to the member clubs of the Garden Club Federation, asking their support of Bill No. 956 for the Regulation and Control of Billboards, which was presented last week in the Senate in Harrisburg.

The President ordered copies of the letter from Mrs. Elliott and the one from the Governor sent to all the members of the Council for their information.

Upon request of the President, Mr. Pennock spoke about a communication to the Society from the Committee on the Foundation of Floriculture, sponsored by the Society of American Florists and Ornamental Horticulturists. Mr. Pennock

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explained that the Foundation was formed for educational purposes and that annual subscriptions from garden clubs, florists clubs, nurserymen's associations, etc., are helping to build up this fund. Upon the President's suggestion, it was decided to postpone consideration of this movement until next year.

The Chairman of the Library Committee, Mrs. Lloyd, reported that Mrs. J. Norman Henry had made the Library a gift of three framed floral plates, originally published in Thornton's Flora about one hundred and thirty years ago. Mrs. Lloyd said she considered these plates a distinct addition to the Library and asked the members of the Council to look at them after the meeting on the walls of the reading-room. She also mentioned the unusual flowering plants which Mrs. Henry has sent into the rooms of the Society from time to time this past winter and spring. Upon motion of Mrs. Elliott, a vote of thanks was extended to Mrs. Henry for her thoughtful generosity.

Mrs. Lloyd called the attention of the Council to the gift of Mr. J. Franklin McFadden of an interesting book to the Library - "The Story of the Garden", by Eleanor Sinclair Rohde, and upon her motion, a vote of thanks was directed to be sent to Mr. McFadden.

Mr. Stout told the Council that a telephone message for Mr. Wister had been received from Mr. McFadden just before the meeting, saying he would like to invite the members of the Society, accompanied by their friends, to visit his garden between May 4th and May 10th, when the Japanese Cherries and other blossoms would be open. This matter was left in the President's hands. The President also mentioned that the joint Garden Days of the School of Horticulture and the Society would begin on May 6th, and that the list has been mailed to members.

Mrs. Lloyd spoke of the garden centers, with plots 50' X 50', which are being established on the Main Line and in other suburban sections, and suggested that the Society might like to award money prizes to encourage the movement. Mr. Furness was requested to get in touch with Mr. MacLeod who is active in this work and then report back to the Council at the next meeting.

Just before the meeting adjourned, the President reminded the Council of their award last year of the Society's Certificate of Merit to the "outstanding exhibit of the Philadelphia Flower Show." The question of making an award this year was referred to the Exhibition Committee. It was mentioned that the Dutch Bulb Growers' exhibit might be considered in this connection.

As there was no further business, the meeting, on motion, adjourned.

C. Fredric C. Stout

President.

Fannie A. Root

Secretary of the Meeting.

May 17, 1933.

A regular meeting of the EXECUTIVE COUNCIL OF THE PENNSYLVANIA HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY was held in the rooms of the Society on the above date. The President, Mr. C. Frederick C. Stout, was in the Chair.

Those present were: Mrs. William T. Elliott, Mrs. Horatio Gates Lloyd, Mr. John P. Habermehl, Mr. Jay V. Hare, Mr. Alex MacLeod, Mr. William J. Serrill, Mr. W. Hinckle Smith, Mr. C. F. C. Stout and Mr. John C. Wister.

Regrets were received from Mrs. Scott, Mr. Burpee, Mr. Farnum, Dr. McFarland, and Mr. Pennock. The Council was sorry to learn that Mr. Harper who has been ill for several weeks has not yet recovered.

The minutes of the meeting of April 19th were approved as published and distributed.

The Secretary gave figures for April as follows:

Fifty-five Annual Members were added, and thirty-three names were removed from the membership roll - mostly through resignations. Mr. Rust made twelve visits to gardens and gave two talks before Garden Clubs. Eight meetings were held in the Council Room. There were fifty-eight general visitors and one hundred and fourteen Library visitors.

One hundred and nineteen persons, having been duly proposed, were elected to annual membership upon motion of Mr. Serrill. They bring the total membership to 3848.

In connection with the resignations which have been received during the last year or two, Mrs. Elliott suggested that a list of these persons be kept in the office and when economic conditions improve, these people should be asked to again become members. The Secretary said this would be done.

In the absence of the Chairman of the Finance Committee, Mr. F. E. Dixon, the President said he would like to report the financial condition of the Society. He reported that there was a considerable shrinkage in the amount of income actually received as compared with what was scheduled to be received the first of May from the Elizabeth Schaffer Estate, Girard Trust Company, Trustee. He therefore had asked the Trust Company whether this condition was likely to continue throughout the year and they replied by furnishing him with a detailed statement of the various investments along with their estimate of the income return that can be expected for the entire year. According to this (which of course is only an approximate statement based on their judgment at the present time) the loss in income will amount to about \$2,200.00, making the total income from this source about \$17,600.00 instead of \$19,800.00 as anticipated. There is also a loss of about \$600.00 in income from General and Life Membership investments, so that the Society's income in 1933 will be almost \$3,000.00 smaller than expected when the budget was prepared. Fortunately, a leeway of more than a thousand dollars was left between anticipated income and actual budget figures by the Finance Committee when making up the budget for the year, and another thousand dollars will be available from increased membership. The President said that if the various Committees will be careful to keep within their appropriations and to cut down a little wherever possible,

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the financial condition of the Society should be in good shape at the end of the year if economic conditions get no worse. He told the Council that the report of the Girard Trust Company, which represented a great deal of work in its preparation, is on file in the office and asked them to examine it if they are interested, particularly the members of the Finance Committee.

The Chairman of the Library Committee, Mrs. Lloyd, reported that five valuable old books have been added to the Library in the past month. All of them were published in England, the oldest being "The Compleat Gardeners Practice directing the Exact Way of Gardening", by S. Blake, printed in 1664. One of the most interesting is "The Natural History of Carolina, Florida and the Bahama Islands" by Mark Catesby. This is in two large volumes and is attractively illustrated in color. It was printed in 1754. All of these books are in excellent condition and were a decided bargain at the purchase price of \$350.00. Mrs. Lloyd said they would have cost much more a few years ago, and that she had been able to buy them with the remainder of the Library appropriation which she had asked be handed over to her Committee at the end of 1932 for the purchase of rare English publications. Mrs. Lloyd also reported a gift to the Library of a book entitled "Wild Flowers of Mt. Desert Island, Maine", by its author, Dr. Edgar T. Wherry of the University of Pennsylvania.

A letter from the Chairman of the Exhibition Committee, Mr. George L. Farnum, was read, recommending the award by the Council of six Certificates of Merit. Three of these would be given to exhibitors of outstanding exhibits in the Philadelphia Flower Show, as follows:

The Holland Bulb Growers' Association - for their bulb display.
Andorra Nurseries - for exhibit of woodland scene with water.
Louis Burk - for display of insectivorous plants.

The other three Certificates would go to exhibitors of outstanding exhibits in the American Orchid Society's Show at Longwood, on April 7, 8 and 9, as follows:

Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Dixon - for Orchid exhibit.
Mrs. Mary A. House - for Orchid exhibit.
Mrs. Ralph B. Strassburger - for exhibit showing method of growing Orchids in sterile air.

Upon motion of Mrs. Lloyd, it was voted to award the Certificates recommended by Mr. Farnum.

The President mentioned that the Gold Medal awarded to Mr. Charles Willing at the last meeting of the Council for designing and executing the Society's exhibit at the Philadelphia Flower Show this year, has been delivered, and said that he would like to suggest that the Council also recognize Mr. Thomas W. Sears' professional services in the same way. Mr. Sears designed the Roadside Planting exhibited by the Society and the State Highway Department, jointly, in the 1932 Flower Show, and he also designed the Society's very beautiful Centennial Garden exhibit at the 1928 Philadelphia Flower Show.

Upon motion of Mr. Serrill, it was voted that the Society's Gold Medal be awarded to Mr. Thomas W. Sears in appreciation of professional services.

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A letter to the President from Richardson Wright, Secretary of The Horticultural Society of New York, was read, in which he asked The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society to join the Massachusetts and New York Societies in inviting Sir William Lawrence, noted English horticulturist, to come to this country next year to judge the three March Shows. It was the opinion of the Council that the President should obtain an approximate idea of the expense of the trip and also find out whether the Philadelphia Flower Show Association would think highly enough of the project to help bear the necessary financial burden, and then take the matter up again at the next meeting of the Council in September.

In the absence of Mr. Pennock, the Society's official representative, Mrs. Elliott, reported that she had attended the dedication ceremony of the Washington Bicentennial Trees on May 8th, and that the exercises were very impressive. Mrs. Elliott also said that upon the President's request, she will represent the Society at the meeting of the Elizabeth Price Martin Fellowship on May 26th.

A letter from Dr. Rodney H. True of the University of Pennsylvania, was read, in which he endorsed a request he enclosed from the University of California, asking the Society to participate in a plant-hunting expedition on the China-Tibet border sponsored by their Botanical Department. The Council was very much interested in the expedition but as the Society has no funds available at the present time to share in financing it and no experimental garden in which to develop seeds that are collected, it was decided to inform the University of California that it would not be possible for the Society to participate in the project.

In Mr. McFadden's absence, a letter from him was read in which he reported that the visit to the Garden of Ithan on May 4 had been very successful. Between seven and eight hundred members of the Society and their friends were present and no damage of any kind resulted. Mr. McFadden invited the Council members and their friends to visit the garden at any time, whether he and Mrs. McFadden were at home or not.

Upon motion of Mrs. Elliott, a resolution of thanks to Mr. and Mrs. McFadden was adopted as follows:

The Executive Council of The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society wishes to thank Mr. and Mrs. J. Franklin McFadden for their thoughtful generosity in opening the Garden of Ithan (and also the first floor of their house) to the members of the Society and their friends on the afternoon of May 4th. This opportunity was greatly appreciated by the members, many of whom have expressed their thanks, individually, to the officers of the Society.

Mr. Wister invited the Council to take part in an Iris Pilgrimage, sponsored by the American Iris Society.

The President reported that Dr. McFarland had hoped to attend the meeting as he wished to present the idea of establishing a municipal rose

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garden in Fairmount Park. Although it may not be possible to do anything just now on account of the financial condition of the city and general economic conditions, Dr. McFarland feels that it is a good time to lay foundations for future developments by approaching the Park Commission and public officials and convincing them of the advantages of such a garden. The President said that he had talked to Mr. Edward T. Stotesbury, President of the Park Commission, whose reaction had been favorable, and that although he had not yet been able to get in touch with the Mayor, he hopes to make an appointment at an early date.

As there was no further business, the meeting, on motion, adjourned.

John C. Wister
Secretary.

September 20, 1933.

A regular meeting of the EXECUTIVE COUNCIL of THE PENNSYLVANIA HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY was held in the rooms of the Society, 1600 Arch Street, on the above date. Mrs. Horatio Gates Lloyd, Vice-President, was in the Chair, as Mr. Stout was unable to be present at the beginning of the meeting.

Those present were: Mrs. J. Norman Henry, Mrs. Horatio Gates Lloyd, Mrs. Arthur H. Scott, Mr. George L. Farnum, Mr. Fairman R. Furness, Dr. J. Horace McFarland, Mr. Alex. MacLeod, Mr. W. Hinckle Smith, Mr. C. F. C. Stout and Mr. John C. Wister.

Regrets were received from Mrs. Elliott, Mr. Bockius, Mr. Burpee, Mr. Hare, Mr. McFadden and Mr. Pennock.

The minutes of the meeting of May 17th were approved as published and distributed.

The Secretary compared figures for the four months of May, June, July and August in the two years of 1932 and 1933, as follows:

		Membership			Mr. Rust				Visitors	
		Total	Gain	Loss	Visits	Judge	Lectures	Meetings	General	Library
4 months)										
ending (1932		3816	159	210	15	6	7	10	222	215
Aug. 31) 1933		3682	167	320	25	5	3	14	234	322

In the absence of the Treasurer, the Secretary gave a brief report of the finances of the Society. He stated that income for 1933 which was estimated by the accountant at the beginning of the year as \$34,000.00 will, from present figures, amount to about \$28,400.00. The shrinkage is due almost entirely to non-payment of mortgage interest, with foreclosures in some cases, in the Elizabeth Schaffer Trust Fund, Girard Trust Company, Trustee. However, the budget for the year amounted to considerably less than the estimated income, and it is hoped that there will be sufficient cash on hand to carry through the year without having to borrow. The Treasurer will be asked to report at the next meeting, and in the meantime financial reports will be on file in the office where members may see them at any time.

The death on July 28th of Mr. John P. Habermehl, a member of the Council and the death of Mr. Jacob D. Eisele, president of Henry A. Dreer, Inc., on September 3rd, were reported, and the following resolutions were adopted - the first upon motion of Mr. W. Hinckle Smith, and the second upon motion of Mr. MacLeod:

JOHN P. HABERMEHL

In recognition of the faithful services of John P. Habermehl in the field of horticulture, the Executive Council of The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society wishes to express its sorrow at his death on July 28, 1933, and its appreciation of his services as a member of the Council.

Mr. Habermehl grew up as a florist and with his brother succeeded to the business conducted for many years by their father at 22nd and Diamond Streets, and later became one of the leading florists of Philadelphia. His central city store was located in the Bellevue-Stratford Hotel which was headquarters for the decorating branch of his business for which he was especially well-known.

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In 1930, Mr. Habermehl became president of the Philadelphia Flower Show and worked untiringly for its success. He was awarded the Achievement Medal of the Poor Richard Club in 1932 for his efforts in connection with the Flower Show, and in the same year he also received the Schaffer Memorial Medal of The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society.

Mr. Habermehl became a member of the Executive Council in 1924, and was most faithful in his attendance at meetings and interested in everything that pertained to the welfare of the Society.

Be it therefore resolved, that this expression of appreciation be sent to the family of Mr. Habermehl and also that it be spread upon the minutes of this meeting.

JACOB D. EISELE

The Executive Council of The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society records with sorrow the death of Jacob D. Eisele, which occurred at Riverton, New Jersey, on September 3, 1933.

Mr. Eisele was president of the Henry A. Dreer seed firm, having entered the employ of that company in 1876 at the age of seventeen. He made numerous trips to Europe in search of novelties which were introduced by him and distributed by his firm. Among these were *Cibotium schiedei*, the red leaf Barberry, and many roses. He was an expert rosarian and was greatly interested in horticultural exhibitions, where his firm often showed large rose gardens.

Mr. Eisele was a member of The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society for fifty years, having been elected in February, 1883. He was awarded the Thomas F. Roland gold medal of the Massachusetts Horticultural Society in 1931 for his outstanding work in horticulture.

Mindful of Mr. Eisele's achievements in the field of horticulture and of his long association with this Society, be it

RESOLVED, That this resolution be spread upon the minutes, and that a copy be sent to the family of Mr. Eisele and a copy to the Henry A. Dreer Company.

The Secretary reminded the Nominating Committee (composed, according to the By-Laws, of those members of the Council who have more than one year to serve and less than two) that they should have their nominations in his hands by the first of October in order that they may be published in the October 15th issue of HORTICULTURE. In addition to the seven regular nominations, Mr. William Warner Harper, who is filling the unexpired term of the late Mr. Henry F. Michell, will have to be officially nominated. The Council decided they would like more time to consider a candidate for Mr. Habermehl's place, and the Chairman suggested that names of persons should be sent into the office before the next meeting so that they may be considered with the list already on hand.

Eighty-two persons who had been duly proposed were elected to Annual Membership, upon motion of Dr. McFarland, making the total membership 3632. This

is a decrease of fifty since the beginning of the year.

The Chairman of the Exhibition Committee, Mr. George L. Farnum, reported that plans are progressing for the Dahlia Show, to be held in Bryn Mawr, on September 29th and 30th. Mr. Farnum spoke of the ruling proposed by the Massachusetts Horticultural Society which prohibits the winners of medals in their shows from actually receiving medals more than once. After that, cards bearing an engraved likeness of the medal will be given, thereby lessening the cost of exhibitions. They think this plan will be satisfactory to exhibitors, and recommended it as being the plan used by the Royal Horticultural Society. Mr. Farnum said that the Massachusetts Society was mistaken in thinking that this was the ruling of the R. H. S. The procedure of that organization was explained to him this summer in England by the Secretary, who said the rule was not a hard and fast one but applied only to commercial exhibitors who expressed their willingness to receive the engraved certificate instead of the medal after having received the medal once. Mr. Farnum asked the Council's opinion as to this Society's procedure, and his Committee was authorized to proceed as they considered best.

The proposed trip of Sir William Lawrence to this country next March to act as master of judges at the three big Eastern flower shows was mentioned, and the Council expressed its desire to have him come to Philadelphia. The Secretary stated that the Philadelphia Flower Show secretary will not be in a position to let us know whether that organization wishes to co-operate with the Society in inviting Sir William officially to act as judge until their Executive Committee meets this fall. Mr. Richardson Wright, who is responsible for the plan, thinks that Philadelphia's share of the expenses will be \$100.00.

The Secretary read a letter from Mrs. Charles F. Derby who represented the Society in the "Flowers for the Flowerless" movement. She reported that in the five Fridays in June which were assigned to her and her committee, twenty-nine buckets of flowers were collected. This is a smaller number than in preceding years, due, she thought to the rainy weather that month. She served at Broad Street Station. The Secretary was instructed to thank Mrs. Derby for her work this year, and to accept with appreciation her offer to represent the Society in 1934.

A conference to be held in Washington on October 25th, was announced, which will "re-examine the underlying principles involved in the interpretation and enforcement" of the nursery stock, plant and seed Quarantine No. 37. Dr. McFarland, Chairman of the Committee on Horticultural Quarantine which functioned several years ago, said his Committee is still alive as it has never been dissolved and still has some money in the treasury. The Secretary reported that the Horticultural Society of New York is sending Mrs. Peterson to represent it at the Conference, and that the Massachusetts Society will probably send Mr. H. P. Kelsey. Dr. McFarland, Mr. Furness and Mr. Wister, were, upon motion of Mr. W. Hinckle Smith, appointed to represent this Society at the conference. Before October 25th, there will be another meeting of the Executive Council when the matter can be discussed further.

Senate Bill 1839, the object of which is to transfer the Botanic Garden in Washington from the jurisdiction of the Library of Congress to the Department of Agriculture, was considered. Mrs. Lloyd and Dr. McFarland reported what they knew about it, but it was decided that no action should be taken at this time and Dr. McFarland said he would gather additional information and report back to the

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Council at the next meeting.

The Secretary announced that the Society of American Florists and Ornamental Horticulturists appealed to the Society during the summer for support in protesting against the acceptance of Bill H. R. 5392 to eliminate the present statutory provision for Plant Patents, stating that they believed the present provision for patenting plants should be retained until something better is offered. Upon advice of Dr. McFarland, it was resolved to take no action at this time.

Dr. McFarland requested the Council to take some interest in bringing pressure to bear upon the authorities who have charge of the planting in connection with the Valley Forge Chapel. He reported that there are exotic plants used there which are not suitable and that the planting would be much more significant if it were confined to those things which were grown in Colonial days. Dr. McFarland was advised to get in touch with Bishop Taitt, head of the diocese of Pennsylvania to which the Chapel belongs.

As there was no further business, the meeting, on motion, adjourned.

J. C. W. K. K.
Secretary.

October 18, 1933.

A regular meeting of the EXECUTIVE COUNCIL of THE PENNSYLVANIA HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY was held in the rooms of the Society, 1600 Arch Street, on the above date. The President, Mr. C. Frederick C. Stout was in the Chair.

Those present were: Mrs. William T. Elliott, Mrs. Horatio Gates Lloyd, Mrs. Thomas Newhall, Mrs. Arthur H. Scott, Mr. Morris R. Bockius, Mr. Fairman R. Furness, Mr. Jay V. Hare, Mr. William Warner Harper, Mr. S. S. Pennock, Mr. William J. Serrill, Mr. W. Hinckle Smith, Mr. C. F. C. Stout and Mr. John C. Wister.

Regrets were received from Mrs. Henry, Mr. McFadden and Dr. McFarland.

The minutes of the meeting of September 20th were approved as published and distributed.

The Secretary reported for the month of September as follows: Fifteen members were added and seventy-nine lost, most of the latter being dropped for non-payment of dues. There were seventy general visitors to the rooms and sixty-four visitors to the Library, and four meetings were held. Mr. Rust visited five gardens, judged six flower shows and had five appointments with members in the office.

The Treasurer presented a brief financial report, copies of which were distributed to the Council members. According to his report (based on actual figures for the first nine months of the current year and estimated for the last three), the Treasury will show a deficit on December 31st of almost Seven Hundred Dollars. In view of this, he asked the Committee Chairmen to pare expenditures as much as possible during the remainder of the year. The Treasurer mentioned that the Girard Trust Company, Trustee, has been obliged to foreclose mortgages on four properties of which the Society owns the entire mortgage or a partial one. He pointed out that the Society will probably have to operate on a materially lessened budget next year, and asked that copies of the financial report be sent to the absent members of the Council.

Upon motion of Mrs. Elliott, the Treasurer's report was accepted.

Ten new members were elected, upon motion of Mrs. Lloyd, making the total membership 3531.

The Secretary presented the report of the Nominating Committee as follows:

The Nominating Committee met after the Council meeting on September 20th, and nominated for the three year term beginning January 1, 1934: Mrs. William T. Elliott, Mr. George L. Farnum, Mr. Fairman R. Furness, Mr. S. S. Pennock, Mr. William J. Serrill, Mr. C. F. C. Stout (all for re-election) and Mr. Thomas W. Sears (a nominee for the first time). Mr. William Warner Harper, who was elected by the Executive Council at the December meeting last year to fill the term of Mr. Henry F. Michell which expires December 31, 1934, also was nominated, as the By-Laws require that a candidate elected by the Council must be regularly nominated and elected at the next annual meeting of the Society.

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The President reported that he had asked Mr. H. H. Battles to allow his name to be used upon request of the Nominating Committee, but that Mr. Battles had replied that he made it a rule not to accept such appointments. The President also stated that he had written Mr. Dixon and informed him that the Council members felt that either he was away from Philadelphia too much to attend meetings or that he had lost interest in the Society, and asked him to express himself upon this matter. In reply, Mr. Dixon wrote that he was still very much interested in the Society and regretted that in the past few years it had been impossible for him to attend many meetings. Such being the case, upon motion of Mr. Harper, it was unanimously voted that Mr. Dixon be nominated for a three year term to succeed himself; and upon motion of Mr. Harper, it was voted that Mr. Sears' former nomination for a three year term be rescinded and that instead he be elected to fill Mr. Habermehl's unexpired term (expires December 31, 1934).

(It was considered wiser that Mr. Dixon should be re-nominated for his own term instead of confusing matters by nominating Mr. Sears for that term and electing Mr. Dixon to fill Mr. Habermehl's unexpired term.)

The Chairman of the Committee on Garden Awards, Mr. William Serrill, presented the report of his Committee for 1933, as follows:

The Committee on Garden Awards begs to submit the following report for the season 1933.

The Committee visited nineteen gardens this year and after careful consideration, recommends as follows:-

A GOLD MEDAL to Miss Caroline Sinkler, for her beautiful estate "The Highlands", Ambler, Pennsylvania.

(The Committee desires to postpone a descriptive legend to accompany this award until it obtains from Miss Sinkler some historic data regarding her ancient home, and it has refrained from questioning her until after the medal has been granted and she has received notice of it.)

A SILVER MEDAL to Mr. and Mrs. C. Frederick C. Stout for their attractive place at Ardmore, Pennsylvania. These grounds form an example of both skill and taste in landscaping and planting. Situated on Glenn Road overlooking the Mill Creek section, they are planted in such a way as to suggest extensive acreage and seclusion. Several small gardens in front of a spacious terrace give a sense of intimacy, from which a sloping lawn surrounded by beautiful trees and shrubs extends to a broad flight of stone steps, which in turn leads to a pool and water garden below. Every natural feature has been taken advantage of. In the spring bulbs and wild flowers are naturalized through the woods in great profusion. The swimming pool, tennis court and garden house are most attractive features and have been artistically planned. The interest and taste of the owners are apparent in every detail.

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A SILVER MEDAL to Mrs. Charles Day, "Standen", Chestnut Hill, Pennsylvania, for an attractive garden so intimately tied-in with the beautiful residence as almost to seem a part of it. From the doorway extends a rectangular grass plot, bordered on the left by a massive vine-clad masonry wall, surmounted by a vine-hung pergola, and on the right by a greenhouse of unusual design filled with rare and interesting plants. Beyond the grass plot a beautifully planted winding walk ascends to the pergola level and enters the woodland beyond, while to the right, the sward on a descending slope extends to a sheepwalk, and faces a prospect of hills and forest trees. The planting - herbs, shrubs and trees - is in exquisite taste, evincing marked artistic restraint. The whole possesses an intimacy and sense of seclusion that are quite unique.

A SILVER MEDAL to Mr. and Mrs. J. Clifford Rosengarten for their estate "Woodley" on Mt. Moro Road, Villa Nova, Pennsylvania. A charming residence on the side of a hill, surrounded by the lovely rolling country once part of the estate of the late Moro Phillips, is well deserving the Silver Medal of the Society. From its porches and terraces, through man-made vistas in the woods, one glimpses the beautiful Chester Valley. The gardens are laid out in terraces, and the utmost skill has been used in their planting. Whether in spring, summer or fall they are always a mass of bloom, which bears the closest inspection. The rose garden is noted for the quality of the flowers, and a great variety of climbing roses has been used effectively. The planting at the entrance and around the house is both interesting and distinctive. Interest and enthusiasm on the part of the owners are very evident and add to the pleasure of awarding it the Silver Medal of the Society.

The estimated cost of these medals is \$108.00. The budget allowance for the Committee on Garden Awards is \$150.00.

Respectfully submitted,

Committee on Garden Awards,

Mrs. Richard L. Barrows
Mrs. Benjamin Bullock
Mrs. A. F. M. Chandler
Mrs. J. Thomas Ligget
Mrs. G. R. Rebmann, Jr.

(Signed) WILLIAM J. SERRILL,
Chairman.

Upon motion of Mr. W. Hinckle Smith, the recommendations of the Committee on Garden Awards were accepted, and the Secretary was instructed to attend to the medals.

A report of 1933 Garden Days, submitted by the Committee of the School of Horticulture, was read by the Secretary. Briefly, it stated that 2380 tickets

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were issued to members of the Society, each representing one admission to all the gardens on a single day. The total net revenue to the School from this activity in 1933 was \$1,833.96, of which \$1,050.00 was contributed by the Society. Based on these figures, the amount paid by the Society for each admission card issued to a member was 44¢. Disagreeable weather on Saturday afternoons interfered seriously with the receipts this year. The Secretary added that the largest financial return to the School from Garden Days was in 1930, when a total of \$3,311.79 was realized, the Society's contribution being \$577.25.

The Chairman of the Lecture Committee, Mrs. William T. Elliott, reported that her Committee is considering a course of three botanical lectures with possibly one horticultural lecture added to the program, instead of the usual series of three or more unrelated lectures on horticultural subjects. Members of the Council expressed the opinion that many garden club members would be eager for such a course.

In the absence of the Chairman, Mr. George L. Farnum, there was no regular report from the Exhibition Committee. The members discussed the Dahlia Show, held in conjunction with the Bryn Mawr Horse Show, on September 29th and 30th, and deplored the muddy condition of the ground in the tent, due to an early morning storm on the first day. An objection to tent shows on account of uncertain weather conditions was voiced, and the desirability of holding flower shows in Memorial Hall once more was stressed, with the suggestion that the members of the Council do all they can to accomplish this end. The President called attention to the Hardy Chrysanthemum Show which will be held on November 1st and 2nd, in rooms adjacent to the Society's quarters.

The President announced that the Annual Meeting will be held on Wednesday afternoon, November 15th, and it was decided to duplicate the Question Box which was such a popular feature of last year's meeting. A short session of the Executive Council will be called for 2:30 that afternoon, and the Annual Meeting will follow at 3:30.

Mr. Wister, who was appointed at the last meeting of the Council to represent the Society at the Plant Quarantine Conference to be held in Washington on October 25th, submitted the following letter which he suggested sending to Dr. Lee A. Strong, Chief of the Bureau of Plant Quarantine, U. S. Department of Agriculture, as expressing the Society's attitude toward the quarantine matter at this time:

The Executive Council of The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society, representing 3500 members - most of whom are amateurs - wishes to place on record its appreciation of the new attitude of the Bureau of Plant Quarantine in publicly stating its willingness to reconsider the entire question of plant quarantines in their relation to horticulture.

This Society has, in the past, strongly protested to the Government against the various inequalities and injustices of Quarantine 37, and it is, therefore, a satisfaction to it to find the Chief of the Bureau admitting the possibility that this quarantine has been unnecessarily stringent.

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The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society hopes that the authorities in the Department of Quarantine may modify the present quarantines and eliminate from them many of the causes of complaint in the past. The Society has never opposed quarantines, as such, and fully recognizes the danger of the entrance of new plant pests. It believes, however, that those dangers can be much more effectively guarded against by increased efficiency in inspection, not only of live plants but of plant products which may act as carriers, and by quicker and more forceful action in control measures.

The Society asks that permits shall no longer be refused to amateurs nor for plants supposedly, but often not actually, available in this country. It hopes that inspection centers may be established in New York and San Francisco and other ports of entry. It asks the authorities to decide the question of the period of observation required on imported plants strictly upon the basis of its relation to pests and not upon its relation to profit by individuals.

The Society has always believed that any tariff protection needed by nurserymen should be given to them openly and honestly as a tariff and not under the guise of exclusion of plant pests. It, therefore, hopes that those in authority will not allow themselves to be swayed by commercial interest who wish to maintain Quarantine 37 because of its tariff protection against foreign competition.

Upon motion of Mrs. Scott, the letter was approved.

Mrs. Newhall, Honorary President of the Garden Club Federation of Pennsylvania, reported the Fall board meeting of the National Council of State Garden Club Federations and the Central Atlantic regional meeting which were held in conjunction at Strawberry Mansion, on October 4th and 5th. She said that the sessions were most interesting and worth-while.

As there was no further business, the meeting on motion adjourned.

John C. Winter
Secretary.

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ANNUAL MEETING

The Annual Meeting of The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society was held in the auditorium of the Insurance Company of North America Building, 1600 Arch Street, Philadelphia, on Wednesday, November 15, with the president, Mr. C. Frederick C. Stout, in the chair.

Announcement was made of the re-election of the following members to the executive council to serve for a three year term, beginning January 1, 1934: Mrs. William T. Elliott, Mr. F. E. Dixon, Mr. George L. Farnum, Mr. F. R. Furness, Mr. S. S. Pennock, Mr. William J. Serrill and Mrs. C. F. C. Stout. Mr. William Warner Harper and Mr. Thomas W. Sears were elected to serve until December 31, 1934, to fill unexpired terms.

The president reported that the present membership of the Society is 3540, as against 3682 members the first of the year. Five hundred members have been added and 642 lost, resulting in a net loss of 142 during the current year. Among the deaths, he deplored that of Mr. John P. Habermehl, who had been a member of the executive council for five years, president of the Philadelphia Flower Show, Inc., since 1929, and was one of Philadelphia's leading florists.

The president reported that the Society's finances had suffered a loss of about \$3,500. in income, due to default and reduction of interest payments on the invested capital and as this loss had not been anticipated when the budget was prepared, careful pruning of expenditures by the various chairmen of committees in charge of activities has been necessary. This has been accomplished to such good purpose that the treasurer thinks there will not be a deficit in the treasury at the end of the year. The president concluded his report by saying that although the Society had suffered some reverses in membership and in income this year, they are not of a serious nature and the affairs of the Society are in a very satisfactory state.

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The secretary also reported briefly on membership and finances and then reviewed the activities of the year as follows:

"I do not intend to review in detail all of our activities for 1933 but I am glad to report that they have been very successful. If any of you have ideas as to how to improve them or would like to suggest plans for additional privileges to work into our program, please let us have them, for we certainly need the cooperation of every member. The officers and the few members who represent the Society on the Executive Council and the various committees are directing the activities to the best of their ability, but if our Society is to perform the real service to horticulture that many of us hope for, it will have to come from a larger number of active members.

"The 1933 Flower Shows have been most creditable. Our classes in the Philadelphia Flower Show last March were ably managed by a committee headed by Mrs. Joseph P. Sims. Mr. Charles Willing designed and executed the beautiful Walled Garden which was the Society's special exhibit. We are extremely fortunate in having Mrs. Sims and Mr. Willing again donate their services to the Society for the 1934 Flower Show, and they already have their plans well under way. The Spring Show, held with The Rutledge Horticultural Society in June, was most satisfactory, and our Dahlia Exhibition at the Bryn Mawr Horse Show in September was very beautiful, but the exhibitors' enthusiasm and the spectators' pleasure were marred by the muddy aisles in the tent. The Hardy Chrysanthemum Show, on November 1 and 2, was exceedingly interesting, and there was a gratifying attendance of twice as many people as last year. We had unusually fine weather for all our shows which helped swell the attendance.

"However, the weather was not so kind to our Garden Days. There was only one really pleasant Saturday afternoon for these events, and it was a great disappointment to our members to have to forego many of the visits they had planned and an even greater disappointment to the Committee of the School of Horticulture whose revenue from this activity suffered severely. The Society, by an advance arrangement with the School, contributed \$850.00 for the privilege of allowing our members to visit all the gardens listed on the School's program, and we also made an extra donation of \$200.00 to the work of the School this year. With the

economies contemplated for next year, it may not be possible for the Society to make a large contribution, much as we might like to, and it may be necessary to curtail the number of Garden Days or to work out some different plan of handling this activity, which we realize is a very popular and enjoyable one to many members.

"We were proud of our lectures, and sorry that more of our members did not attend the evening ones which were a new feature designed for those who cannot come in the afternoon. Dr. Edgar T. Wherry has kindly given us the text of his excellent talk on "Eastern Wild Flowers and their Cultivation" for use in the next Year Book we are able to publish.

"The Library has continued to grow under the discriminating supervision of Mrs. Lloyd, who is an authority on gardening books. I hope all members are aware from the recent notices that the Library will be open on Tuesday evenings this winter. We want to make its resources available to all of the members, and this move is for the benefit of those who cannot visit the Library in regular office hours.

"There is also a change in Mr. Rust's schedule. Hereafter, he will not make outside engagements on Mondays but will be at the office for personal and telephone consultation except at the time of Flower Shows, for, as you probably know, he is manager of exhibitions as well as being the Society's gardening consultant. He asks me to remind you that much valuable work can be done in and for the garden in winter, and that he is still available for visits to gardens on other week-days.

"HORTICULTURE speaks so well for itself that it hardly seems necessary to put in a word for it. You will be interested to know, however, that starting with the December first issue, the magazine will be the official organ of The Garden Club Federation of Pennsylvania. There will be a supplement of a few pages included in the first of the month issue which will be devoted to the Federation news, and I am sure it will be an attractive feature to all of us, for each one of us is a member of the Federation through our membership in this Society. The Massachusetts Federation instituted a similar news bulleting the first of September, and it has met with very good response. The special issue which contains the Massachusetts Federation's news goes only to Massachusetts subscribers to the magazine, and the special issue with our Federation's news will be distributed to Pennsylvania subscribers. In connection with the magazine, I should like to remind members to look at the Society's regular advertising space on the inside of the back cover for notices about our activities.

"We have exchanged gold medal with the Horticultural Societies of New York and Massachusetts, and also have been happy to give our plaquettes and medals to various garden clubs and horticultural societies for award at their shows. This may be one of the practices which will have to be limited next year.

"We have had most pleasant relations with the organizations which use our rooms as a meeting place for their Executive Boards. Among them are The Pennsylvania Forestry Association, The Council for Preservation of Natural Beauty in Pennsylvania, The Garden Club Federation of Pennsylvania, The Philadelphia Flower Show, The School of Horticulture for Women, The John Bartram Association and various garden club committees. We are very glad to extend the hospitality of our rooms to allied organizations, the only restriction being that one of the officers shall be a member of this Society.

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"Upon the recommendation of the Committee on Garden Awards, the Society recently awarded a gold medal to the beautiful estate of Miss Caroline S. Sinkler, "The Highlands," in Ambler, and silver medals to the gardens of Mrs. Charles Day, of Chestnut Hill, Mr. and Mrs. J. Clifford Rosengarten of Villa Nova, and Mr. and Mrs. C. Frederick C. Stout of Ardmore. A detailed account will be published in an early issue of HORTICULTURE.

"An important event in which the Society was deeply interested was the recent Plant Quarantine Conference called in Washington, by Dr. Lee A. Strong, of the United States Department of Agriculture, to hear any objectors to his policy in regard to making some of the provisions of Quarantine 37 more liberal.

"The majority of the two hundred people who attended represented nurseries or nursery interests and opposed any changes, perhaps largely because of the beneficial aspect of the present quarantine system to their business. Representatives of the Bureau of Entomology and of various Forestry Associations asked not only that the Quarantine should not be made more liberal but that it should be made more stringent. Dr. J. Horace McFarland and I represented this Society, and presented a statement from the Executive Council expressing approval of Dr. Strong's position in advocating greater liberality and greater fairness to all by abolishing present discriminations against amateurs as a class. Representatives of the Garden Club of America and the National Council of State Garden Club Federations made similar statements. Dr. Strong's preliminary statement made it quite clear that he would be guided solely by the facts in relation to the danger of the importation of plant pests and that he did not intend to enforce the quarantine as a tariff.

"In closing, I wish to thank the members who have given us books for the Library and the floral pictures, over a hundred years old, which are now on the walls of the reading-room, and also those who from time to time have given us plants and flowers for our rooms."

A Question Box was the special feature of the meeting, and after the short business session, the members were invited to write and hand in questions. About fifty questions were received, and the secretary referred them to horticultural authorities who answered them from the platform. Dr. E. P. Felt, Chief Entomologist of the Bartlett Tree Research Laboratories in Stamford, Connecticut, and formerly New York State Entomologist, answered questions about insect pests and diseases, including the Dutch Elm disease, the Japanese Beetle and the Hawthorn fire blight. Dr. J. Horace McFarland gave information about roses, including cause and remedy of black spot, care of rose gardens, particular varieties, etc. Dr. Edgar T. Wherry, of the Botanical Department of the University of Pennsylvania, answered questions about plant relationships, soil acidity and plant pathology, while Mr. David Rust, the Society's gardening consultant, advised in regard to transplanting trees and shrubs, the care of perennials and annuals, garden soil, covering plants for the winter and other practical garden matters.

An exhibit of unusual plants was another interesting feature of the meeting. The School of Horticulture showed flowering plants of *Cyrtanthus carneus* (of the *Amaryllis* tribe) and *Solanum integrifolium* or "love apple." a

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member of the potato family. Mr. S. S. Pennock showed *Osmanthus ilicifolius* or *O. aquifolium*, with its small white flowers and holly-like leaves. Mr. Philip H. Moore arranged a display of *echeveria* plants which was unique. There were fifteen or more varieties labeled as follows: *Echeveria Lozzani*, *E. rosea grandii*, *E. Nobilis*, *E. simulans*, *E. glauca*, *E. scaphyphylla*, *E. globosa*, *E. setosa*, (shade), *E. clarifolia*, *E. De Smetiana*, *E. elegans*, *E. Hoveyi*, *E. Weinbergii*, *Echeveria hybrid*, *E. (Brynesia)* and *Cotyledon orbiculata*. A curious fruit was exhibited by Mrs. Caspar W. Hacker - that of *Lodoicea seychellarum*, of the Palm family, known as the Coco-de-Mer or the Double Coconut. These nuts are the largest known and often weigh more than twenty pounds.

John C. Wipster
Secretary.

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A regular meeting of the EXECUTIVE COUNCIL of THE PENNSYLVANIA HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY was held in the rooms of the Society, 1600 Arch Street, on the above date. The President, Mr. C. Frederick C. Stout, was in the Chair.

Those present were: Mrs. William T. Elliott, Mrs. Horatio Gates Lloyd, Mrs. Arthur H. Scott, Mr. W. Atlee Burpee, Jr., Mr. George L. Farnum, Mr. J. V. Hare, Mr. William Warner Harper, Mr. Alex MacLeod, Dr. J. Horace McFarland, Mr. S. S. Pennock, Mr. Thomas W. Sears, Mr. W. Hinckle Smith, Mr. C. F. C. Stout and Mr. John C. Wister.

Regrets were received from Mrs. Henry, Mr. Bockius, Mr. Furness, Mr. McFadden and Mr. Serrill.

The President welcomed Mr. Sears to his first meeting, and appointed a committee composed of Mr. Farnum, Mr. Harper, Dr. McFarland and Mr. Wister to greet the professors from the University and Dr. E. P. Felt upon arrival at the Annual Meeting. (These gentlemen will answer questions in the "Question Box" which will be the special feature of the meeting.)

The minutes of the meeting on October 18th were approved as published and distributed.

The Secretary reported briefly for October as follows: Six meetings were held in the rooms; Mr. Rust made nine visits to gardens; there were eighty-eight general visitors and one hundred and sixteen Library visitors - this latter figure being a decided increase over those for the last few months.

Fourteen Annual Members were elected, upon motion of Mr. Farnum, making the total membership 3540. The transfer of an Annual Member to Life Membership was noted.

Upon motion of Dr. McFarland, the following members who were nominated by the Nominating Committee, were re-elected to serve on the Executive Council:

For three year term starting January 1, 1934 - Mrs. William T. Elliott, Mr. F. E. Dixon, Mr. George L. Farnum, Mr. Fairman R. Furness, Mr. S. S. Pennock, Mr. William J. Serrill and Mr. C. Frederick C. Stout.

For term expiring December 31, 1934 - Mr. William Warner Harper.

Mr. Wister submitted the following report of the Plant Quarantine Conference, held in Washington, D. C., on October 25th, which was accepted, and Dr. McFarland amplified Mr. Wister's remarks.

"The Conference called by Dr. Lee A. Strong to hear any objectors to his policy to make some of the provisions of Quarantine 37 more liberal was attended by about 200 people. The great majority of these were either nurserymen or representatives of various nursery

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interests, and they asked for no change in the Quarantine and were opposed to granting permits to amateurs on any other basis than the present one. As usual their arguments were mostly concerned with the economical aspect of the Plant Quarantine which was, in effect, a tariff to them against foreign competition which they otherwise would not be able to meet.

"A representative of the Bureau of Entomology and of various Forestry Associations also asked that not only should the Quarantine not be made more liberal, but that it should be made more stringent. Dr. Kellerman of the Department of Agriculture, in fact, pleaded against any further importation of plants for any purpose, stating that it should be cut off entirely and that any novelties really necessary should be imported by the government itself.

"The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society was represented by Dr. J. Horace McFarland and myself, and the statement presented at the last Council meeting was read. Representatives of The Garden Club of America and of the National Council of State Garden Club Federations also made statements, asking primarily what this Society asked - namely, that there should not be in the future the discrimination between importers.

"The Conference began at ten o'clock in the morning and lasted until after five in the evening, during which time many people spoke or read papers and telegrams were sent by many who were unable to be present. The sentiment was overwhelmingly against Dr. Strong making any liberalization for the simple reason that over 95% of the persons present were representing the nursery interests, who were so vitally interested in the tariff as a quarantine protection. Dr. Strong's preliminary statement made it quite clear that he did not intend to enforce the quarantine as a tariff and that he would be guided solely by the dangers of the importation of plant pests."

The Secretary read two communications from the Garden Club Federation of Pennsylvania - one asking that persons interested in attending a course for Flower Show judges and exhibitors notify the Secretary of the Federation before December 1st, and the other announcement of the Federation's semi-annual meeting at State College on December 11th to which members of the Society, in addition to delegates, are invited.

The President spoke of an idea he has had for some time of enlarging the Society's membership throughout the State, and asked Dr. McFarland if he could stir up some interest in Harrisburg. Dr. McFarland said that he was hardly prepared to answer until he knew what the Society proposed to offer as an inducement to persons at a distance from Philadelphia. The President replied that nothing definite had been formulated but that he had in mind appointing a committee of three to work out a plan to approach the question, with Dr. McFarland as one of the committee. Dr. McFarland said he could not assume the chairmanship. Some discussion of the project followed and the President was authorized to appoint a committee.

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The suggestion of giving up entirely, or strictly limiting the awards of medals (especially the gold medal) by the Society next year in the interest of economy was made. No action was taken, and the President explained that it was impossible to say what adjustments in the budget would be necessary next year. He hoped, however, that there will not be a deficit this year. A proposal by Mrs. Lloyd that the Gold Medal Garden Award in 1934 be omitted was deferred for consideration.

In regard to medal awards at the Society's exhibitions, the Chairman of the Exhibition Committee, Mr. George L. Farnum, reported that the Committee in a meeting earlier in the day had voted to recommend to the Council the adoption of the ruling used by the Royal Horticultural Society which is worded as follows:

"The Council having ascertained that the majority of firms who exhibit at the Society's meetings do not desire to possess many medals of the same grade, has decided that the first time a trade firm is awarded a medal it will be forwarded, but no medal of the same grade will be sent afterwards unless application is made within a year from the date of the award. Medals will never be sent out unengraved."

Upon motion of Mr. Burpee, the recommendation of the Exhibition Committee was approved.

Mr. Farnum stated that the Exhibition Committee had decided to hold the June Show in this building. The Dahlia Show will be given at Bryn Mawr as usual, and the Horse Show management has promised to provide covering for the aisles in case of rain. The suggestion of trying to get permission to hold the Society's exhibitions in Memorial Hall once more was considered by the Committee but it was decided that if anything can be accomplished in this direction it will not be in time for the 1934 Shows.

As the time was limited, reports from the other Standing Committees were dispensed with and the meeting, on motion, adjourned to attend the Annual Meeting.

John C. Winter

Secretary.

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A regular meeting of the EXECUTIVE COUNCIL of THE PENNSYLVANIA HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY was held in the rooms of the Society, 1600 Arch Street, on the above date. The President, Mr. C. Frederick C. Stout, was in the Chair.

Those present were: Mrs. William T. Elliott, Mrs. Horatio Gates Lloyd, Mrs. Arthur H. Scott, Mr. J. V. Hare, Mr. Alex. MacLeod, Mr. S. S. Pennock, Mr. William J. Serrill, Mr. W. Hinckle Smith, Mr. C. F. C. Stout, and Mr. John C. Wister.

Regrets were received from Mrs. J. Norman Henry, Mrs. Thomas Newhall, Mr. Morris R. Bockius, Mr. W. Atlee Burpee, Jr., Mr. F. E. Dixon, Mr. George L. Farnum, Mr. J. Franklin McFadden and Dr. J. Horace McFarland.

The minutes of the meeting of November 15th were approved as published and distributed.

The Secretary reported for the month of November as follows: Ten members were added during the month, but this was not so discouraging as it appeared at first glance, for when last year's records were referred to it was noted there were only eight new members in November 1932. Eleven meetings were held in the rooms; Mr. Rust visited one garden and had sixteen office conferences with members; there were 112 general visitors and 158 visitors to the Library.

Upon motion of Mr. Hare, fourteen annual members were elected, bringing the total membership to 3550.

The election of officers was the next business, and upon motion of Mrs. Scott, duly seconded, the Secretary was instructed to cast one vote for the re-election of all the present officers.

The President expressed his appreciation of the Council's confidence in him, and thanked them for their very real co-operation, which not only had made his duties pleasant but without which, he said, he could have accomplished nothing. He explained that this past year has been a very busy one for him and that he had not been able to prepare the kind of annual report he would have liked to present, but with the help of the Secretary, the following brief analysis of the year's activities had been compiled:

"It is proper at the December or the January meeting of this Council for the President to submit a general report of the affairs of the Society, and I should like to present such a report today, making it very brief because similar reports in greater detail were presented by both the Secretary and myself at the Annual Meeting in November.

"First, in regard to membership - we have added 515 members in 1933, counting those elected today, and lost 647 members, making a net loss for the year of 132 and a total membership of 3550.

"As to our activities, we have carried through our regular program successfully and have increased the number of activities in some departments. Our year started with the lecture series of five lectures, one more than usual, in January and February, and we also co-operated with

the Garden Club Federation of Pennsylvania in a course for judges and exhibitors at flower shows in this building in January. In March we were very busy with the Philadelphia Flower Show, and again we tried to further the interests of the Show by giving a luncheon for distinguished guests on the opening day. Later in the year we were grieved at the death of the President of the Philadelphia Flower Show Association, Mr. John P. Habermehl, an active member of our Council.

"In May and June we co-operated with the School of Horticulture for Women in Garden Days, and were happy to give our members the additional privilege of visiting the beautiful garden of Mr. J. Franklin McFadden. Our Peony and Spring Flower Show was held in conjunction with the Rutledge Horticultural Society on June 2nd and 3rd, thereby following the custom of lending our support to a local gardening organization in a spring show for mutual benefit.

"During the summer, the Library and Mr. Rust's departments were our main activities, although many members called at the office or wrote for information about gardening problems, the formation of and programs for garden clubs, lists of lectures, book and magazine articles on special subjects, etc. In connection with the Library, evening hours have been instituted this winter and the Library is open each Tuesday until 9 P.M.

"The Dahlia Show was held with the Bryn Mawr Horse Show on September 29th and 30th, the only drawback being the muddy condition of the aisles in the tent. The Hardy Chrysanthemum Show was held on November 1st and 2nd, here in this building, and it was followed on November 15th by the Annual Meeting. One hundred and thirty-six members attended the meeting and seemed to enjoy it and to be pleased with the information they secured from the Question Box which was the special feature. We were fortunate in having excellent horticultural and botanical authorities present to answer the questions.

"The Society awarded one gold and three silver medals to gardens in the suburbs of Philadelphia in 1933.

"There have been 77 meetings in our Council Room, 872 visitors to the rooms (exclusive of those attending meetings) and 1280 Library visitors. Mr. Rust has visited 56 gardens, has given nine gardening talks and has assisted in judging twelve flower shows, in addition to many office interviews, letters and advice over the telephone.

"Besides co-operating with the Garden Club Federation in the judging course, we have sent delegates to their annual and semi-annual meetings and our Secretary was the principal speaker at the meeting of the Executive Board of the National Council of State Garden Club Federations held in Philadelphia October 4th. We have also been represented at the recent Plant Quarantine Conference in Washington and at other meetings of horticultural interest.

"The arrangement with the magazine HORTICULTURE has continued to work satisfactorily and our relations with the horticultural societies

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of New York and Massachusetts have been most cordial. We have again exchanged gold medals with those societies, and have given our trophy cup or garden club plaque to fifteen gardening organizations.

"We have given \$200.00 to the School of Horticulture for their work, in addition to our financial support of Garden Days. We contributed \$30.00 toward planting Washington Memorial Trees on the East River Drive and shall contribute \$100.00 this month to the fund administered by Cornell University to fight brown rose canker.

"I am happy to report that the Society will end this year without a deficit and with a fair sized balance to apply to next year, in spite of the \$4,000.00 decrease in our income from the original estimate. In closing, I should like to mention that we have had some nice gifts of books to the Library and floral prints for our walls, and we are also grateful for the plants and flowers generously supplied by Council members and others."

The President asked the Chairmen of the Standing Committees to prepare their Committee requirements for 1934 so that they will be available when the Finance Committee meets to make up the budget. He added that from all indications, it will be necessary to prune the budget considerably, on account of the decrease in income from the Elizabeth Schaffer Trust which is invested largely in first mortgages.

Mr. William J. Serrill, Chairman of the Committee on Garden Awards, reported that it was not possible for the Mint to furnish gold medals under present Government restrictions, but that the Medallic Art Company of New York City is making the gold medal which was awarded to Miss Caroline Sinkler's garden this fall.

Mrs. Lloyd, Chairman, reported for the Library Committee that a valuable accession has been acquired recently - the Genus Liliun, by Elwes. This book is out of print and difficult to obtain, but one came upon the market recently and the Committee was very glad to purchase it at the price of \$125.00, not using their budget appropriation but taking the money for this purpose from the Library's savings fund. \$250.00 of this fund of slightly over \$300.00 was the gift of the four local member clubs of the Garden Club of America, and was presented to the Library in 1929 after the Annual Meeting of the Garden Club of America in Philadelphia, to be used for the purchase of rare books that the Library might not otherwise be able to purchase. In connection with the Garden Club of America, Mrs. Lloyd said that she thought the medal of that organization would add interest to the Society's classes if offered as an award in the March Flower Show, and that she had therefore suggested to Mrs. Joseph P. Sims, Chairman, that she apply for it. She said, further, that she understood Mr. Farnum had gotten plans for the Society's part of the March Show well under way as before he left for Florida.

The President spoke of the proposed visit of Sir William Lawrence to Philadelphia in March to see the Flower Show, and read two suggestions which Mrs. J. Norman Henry had asked him to present - first, that Sir William be made an Honorary Member at the present meeting, in order that he may be interested

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in the Society before his arrival, and second, that a subscription luncheon be arranged in his honor to which all the members would be invited, on March 15th, at either the Bellevue-Stratford or the Hotel Pennsylvania.

Upon motion of Mrs. Lloyd, Sir William was elected an Honorary Member of the Society, and upon motion of Mrs. Elliott, Mrs. Henry was appointed Chairman of a Committee to arrange a subscription luncheon, with power to select the other members of the Committee. The desirability of The Barclay as the place for the luncheon was mentioned, and Mrs. Lloyd spoke of a well managed subscription luncheon in New York where the price of \$2.50 covered the entire cost of the affair.

The Secretary reported the receipt of a letter from Mrs. Dorothy Ebel Hansell, editor of "Gardeners' Chronicle of America", inviting Mr. Stout to attend a meeting in New York on March 21st, to form the American Rock Garden Society. As Mr. Stout was not sure whether it would be possible for him to attend, he asked Mrs. William T. Elliott to represent the Society on this occasion and she accepted the appointment.

A letter from Mr. Robert Pyle to the Secretary asking whether the Society would be interested in holding an outdoor rose show in the rose fields of the Conard-Pyle Nursery Company in West Grove late next spring, was, upon motion of Mrs. Elliott, referred to the Exhibition Committee.

In connection with spring pilgrimages, the Secretary reported a plan The Horticultural Society of New York has under consideration of a visit to Mr. and Mrs. Henry duPont's estate, Winterthur, Delaware, in late April or early May. If they carry out this project, they would like this Society to join them. The Council expressed approval of the idea.

The recent improvements to the garden adjoining the Powel Mansion were mentioned, but in the absence of Mrs. Thomas Newhall, Chairman of the work, a complete report was not available.

The matter of Garden Days was brought up, but it was decided that no arrangements can be made until the Finance Committee makes up the budget and determines how much money can be appropriated for this activity in 1934.

As there was no further business, a motion to adjourn was made, but before the meeting had broken up, the members were interested to learn from Mr. Serrill that Mrs. Tyler has made some provision for the upkeep of Painter Arboretum, and that Mr. Harper, as one of the trustees, will probably be able to furnish more concrete information at a future meeting.

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January 17, 1934.

A regular meeting of the EXECUTIVE COUNCIL of THE PENNSYLVANIA HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY was held in the rooms of the Society, 1600 Arch Street, on the above date. The President, Mr. C. Frederick C. Stout, was in the Chair.

Those present were: Mrs. William T. Elliott, Mrs. Horatio Gates Lloyd, Mrs. Thomas Newhall, Mr. W. Atlee Burpee, Jr., Mr. J. V. Hare, Mr. William Warner Harper, Mr. J. Franklin McFadden, Dr. J. Horace McFarland, Mr. Alex. MacLeod, Mr. S. S. Pennock, Mr. Thomas W. Sears, Mr. William J. Serrill, Mr. C. Frederick C. Stout, and Mr. John C. Wister.

Regrets were received from Mrs. J. Norman Henry, Mrs. Arthur H. Scott, Mr. Morris R. Bockius, Mr. George L. Farnum, Mr. Fairman R. Furness, and Mr. W. Hinckle Smith.

The minutes of the meeting of December 30th were approved as published and distributed.

The Secretary reported the following figures for December 1933: Twenty Annual Members, and one Honorary Member were added, and eighteen Annual Members were lost, three of them through death and the others by resignation. Mr. Rust visited two gardens and had conferences with thirteen members in the rooms. There were five meetings, fifty-nine general visitors and eighty-five Library visitors.

The Secretary then presented comparative figures for the last seven years as follows:

Year	Dec. 31	Net Change	Life Membership	Mr. Rust			Visitors		
				Visits	Lectures	Judging	Meetings	Library	General
1927	1344	234	(Total 83) New Life M.						
1928	1711	367	16				101	286	536
1929	2009	298	79	119			92	464	711
1930	2731	722	51	80	16	11	91	563	734
1931	3525	794	44	92	12	15	90	730	922
1932	3682	157	28	65	15	15	84	969	910
1933	3547	(135)*	1	58	7	11	82	1365	931
1934	3363	*Loss	14	52	7	14	76	1378	1272
1935	3303	(60)	25	68	7	12	68	1337	1190
Note - no detailed records kept before 1928.									

The increase in visitors to the Library from 286 in 1928, to 1365 in 1933, was considered particularly gratifying.

Seventeen Annual Members, having been duly proposed, were elected upon motion of Mr. Pennock, making the total membership, as of the above date, 3529.

The Chairman of the Standing Committees reported briefly as follows:

Mr. Serrill, Chairman of the Executive Committee, stated that his Committee had met just prior to the present meeting and had prepared its budget for 1934. Mr. Serrill, as Chairman of the Committee on Garden Awards, exhibited the

Gold Medal which was awarded to Miss Caroline Sinkler last Fall. This had just been completed by the Medallie Art Company of New York in the inability of the United States Mint to use gold for this purpose. The Council was also interested in seeing the beautiful George Robert White Medal of Honor which was awarded to Dr. McFarland in November by the Trustees of the Massachusetts Horticultural Society.

Mrs. Elliott, Chairman of the Lecture Committee, reported that the first lecture of the 1934 season had been presented most successfully by Dr. Rodney H. True on the preceding day. The attendance was 215. The Secretary said he thought the members had found the lecture worth-while for there was a marked increase in the number taking notes. Mrs. Elliott stated that the Lecture Committee's budget amounting to \$350.00, (\$300.00 less than last year), was ready for the Finance Committee.

Mrs. Lloyd, Chairman of the Library Committee, reported that her budget was also ready, with a possible reduction of \$400.00 from last year's total if absolutely necessary. She told the Council of an excellent Botanical Chart, with some colored illustrations, made by two Southern women, which has lately been acquired by the Library.

In the absence of Mr. Farnum, Chairman of the Exhibition Committee, Mr. Burpee, Vice Chairman, reported in regard to the invitation mentioned at the last meeting, which the Conard-Pyle Company wishes to extend to the Society to visit its Rose field next Spring. Mr. Burpee said that he had considered the matter carefully, and wished to make a motion that the invitation be refused. He feared that if accepted, it would probably lead to other commercial nurseries, etc., extending similar invitations, and the Society would find itself involved in considerable difficulty. He recommended that the Conard-Pyle Company be informed that the Council regretted that it was impossible for the Society to issue such an invitation to its members, but that they suggested the Company itself extend the invitation and that the correct membership list would be available for the purpose. Dr. McFarland maintained that the Conard-Pyle Rose field was an excellent place to see the newest and best hybrids and other roses and that the place would be well worth a visit, and that therefore it would be proper for the Society to accept Mr. Pyle's proposal. After discussion, it was decided that to accept would create a dangerous precedent, whereupon Mr. Sears seconded Mr. Burpee's motion to refuse the invitation and it was carried unanimously.

Mr. Serrill suggested that at some future time it might be a good idea for the Society to offer a medal to stimulate horticultural achievement among the nurserymen and other commercial growers.

The President said that he had given considerable thought to the appointment of the Standing Committees for 1934, and had decided to appoint the present Chairmen to serve another year. He said that they had all rendered excellent service in the past, and he would be happy to have their co-operation in 1934. He asked them to inform him if they wished to make any changes in the personnel of their individual Committees. The 1934 Committees are as follows:

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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Mr. William J. Serrill, Chairman Mr. W. Atlee Burpee, Jr.
 Mr. Benjamin Bullock Mr. J. V. Hare
 Mr. John C. Wister

LIBRARY COMMITTEE

Mrs. Horatio Gates Lloyd, Chairman Mrs. Nathan Hayward
 Mrs. E. Page Allinson Mrs. John H. Packard
 Miss Kitty Brinton Mrs. Alan H. Reed
 Mrs. Edward H. York, Jr.

LECTURE COMMITTEE

Mrs. William T. Elliott, Chairman Mrs. Horatio Gates Lloyd
 Mr. John C. Wister

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Mr. Fitz Eugene Dixon, Chairman Mr. S. S. Pennock
 Mr. W. Atlee Burpee, Jr. Mr. W. Hinckle Smith

EXHIBITION COMMITTEE

Mr. George L. Farnum, Chairman Mr. Jay V. Hare
 Mr. W. Atlee Burpee, Jr., Vice-Chairman Mr. Alexander MacLeod
 Mrs. William T. Elliott Mrs. Arthur H. Scott
 Mr. Fairman R. Furness Mrs. Joseph P. Sims

COMMITTEE ON GARDEN AWARDS

Mr. William J. Serrill, Chairman Mrs. A. F. M. Chandler
 Mrs. Richard L. Barrows Mrs. J. Thomas Liggett
 Mrs. Benjamin Bullock Mrs. G. R. Rebmann, Jr.

GARDEN COMMITTEE

Mr. John C. Wister, Chairman Mrs. Edward M. Cheston
 Mrs. Benjamin Bullock Mr. Thomas W. Sears
 Dr. Rodney H. True

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The sudden death of Sir William Lawrence in London on January 4th was deplored. The Secretary reported that Mr. Richardson Wright is endeavoring to secure a substitute for Sir William from the Royal Horticultural Society to judge the New York and Boston Flower Shows in March. Mrs. Elliott, at the request of Mrs. Henry who could not be present, spoke of the subscription luncheon proposed originally in Sir William's honor for Thursday of Flower Show week and asked if the Council wished to go ahead with it in the uncertainty of a substitute. It was agreed that Mrs. Henry should proceed with her plans, but that if an English guest of honor is not to be present, the day should be changed to one earlier in the week. Mrs. Elliott said that Mrs. Henry was in favor of holding the luncheon at the Bellevue-Stratford Hotel.

The Secretary referred to a letter he had received from Mr. P. J. Van Melle of Poughkeepsie, New York, asking the Society's support in removing the provision that Standardized Plant Names be named as authority in the Nurserymen's Agreement and Code now being prepared. The Secretary was instructed to reply to Mr. Van Melle that the Society was not concerned with Nursery codes.

Mrs. Newhall described the present condition of the garden adjoining the Powel Mansion. She stated that two ginkgo trees, one presented by the Garden Club of Philadelphia and the other by the Daughters of the Cincinnati, have been planted recently. Also, a box hedge has been added, along with a flower bed, bulbs, Wistaria on the wall and Ivy - the latter coming from the tomb of George and Martha Washington.

The President mentioned finances briefly. He said that the Finance Committee would meet to make up the Society's budget as soon as the accountant finishes auditing the books. He explained that the estimated income for 1934 from the Elizabeth Schaffer Trust Account will be at least \$6,000.00 less than estimated for 1933, and \$3,000.00 less than the actual income for 1933. Also, there is a decrease of \$450.00 in the General Investment Account. However, he felt that with careful management the activities as organized at present can be carried through with little curtailment.

The President also said that it would be possible to increase the income by increasing the membership, and spoke of his desire to enlarge the membership through Pennsylvania which he had mentioned briefly at the November meeting. Dr. McFarland had interested himself in the matter since that time and had written to the Secretary and the President, offering some suggestions. Dr. McFarland had also broached the matter to Dr. Fletcher, head of the Horticultural Department of State College and prominent in the State Horticultural Society. Dr. Fletcher stated that this latter organization had developed into a fruit growers' association, specializing in apples, and that he thought The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society was the proper agency to promote horticultural interest among the amateur gardeners throughout the State. His suggestion was that the State be divided into three sections, with an active Vice-President in each who would try to acquaint garden lovers with the benefits of membership in the Society. He thought these Vice-Presidents might work with the established garden clubs. The President said he did not think the present time pro-

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pitious for starting actual work, but that he believed discussion was valuable and that ideas may be developed that will be very helpful when expansion is undertaken.

The question of Garden Days was brought up but the President said that definite plans have not been made as yet for this activity in 1934.

Mrs. Lloyd spoke of the proposed transfer of the Botanical Garden in Washinton from the supervision of the Library of Congress to the control of the Agricultural Department which had been discussed at the November meeting. The Secretary reported that he had written the Council members individually asking for their approval of a letter to Senator Robinson, who will propose the Bill to effect the transfer, urging that the Bill be passed, and that sixteen members (all of those in this vicinity at the time) had replied affirmatively. He had, therefore, written to Senator Robinson and to Mrs. Frank B. Noyes of the Garden Club of America, which organization is heartily in favor of the transfer.

As there was no further business, the meeting, on motion, adjourned.

John C. Wister
JOHN C. WISTER

Secretary

February 21, 1934.

A regular meeting of the EXECUTIVE COUNCIL of THE PENNSYLVANIA HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY was held in the rooms of the Society, 1600 Arch Street, on the above date. The President, Mr. C. Frederick C. Stout, was in the Chair.

Those present were: Mrs. William T. Elliott, Mrs. J. Norman Henry, Mr. J. Franklin McFadden, Mr. Alex. MacLeod, Mr. S. S. Pennock, Mr. Thomas W. Sears, Mr. C. F. C. Stout and Mr. John C. Wister.

Regrets were received from Mrs. Horatio Gates Lloyd, Mrs. Thomas Newhall, Mrs. Arthur H. Scott, Mr. Morris R. Bockius, Mr. W. Atlee Burpee, Jr., Mr. F. E. Dixon, Mr. George L. Farnum, Mr. Fairman R. Furness, Mr. Jay V. Hare, Dr. J. Horace McFarland, Mr. William J. Serrill and Mr. W. Hinckle Smith. Almost all of the above were away from home.

The minutes of the meeting of January 17th were approved as published and distributed.

The Secretary reported a total membership of 3538; and mentioned that from the latest report available, the Royal Horticultural Society has 28,397 members, the Massachusetts Horticultural Society 7271 and the Horticultural Society of New York 2126.

Twenty-four members were added during January, and thirty-five lost - twenty-one through resignation. In the same month last year, there was a gain of forty-four members and seventy-eight resignations. In January, there were 219 visitors to the Library and 169 general visitors. Fourteen meetings were held in the rooms.

Upon motion of Mr. Pennock, thirty-three persons, having been duly proposed, were elected to membership.

In the absence of Mr. Dixon, Chairman, the Treasurer, Mr. Pennock, presented the budget for 1934 which was prepared by the Finance Committee at a meeting on January 26th. Copies of the budget were on hand for examination, and Mr. Pennock and Mr. Stout answered questions about various items.

Upon motion of Mr. McFadden, the budget, which is as follows, was approved:

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BUDGET FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR, 1934EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE - Mr. William J. Serrill, Chairman

Rent - (27/40 total)		\$3,375.00	
Salaries - Miss Gibbons	\$1,320.00		
Miss Root	<u>2,700.00</u>	4,020.00	
Insurance		100.00	
Postage		345.00	
Printing and Stationery		345.00	
Year Book		850.00	
Treasurer's Bond		25.00	
Water, Towels, Floors, etc.		125.00	
Telephone		175.00	
New Equipment		100.00	
Miscellaneous		<u>650.00</u>	
TOTAL			\$10,110.00

LECTURE COMMITTEE - Mrs. William T. Elliott, Chairman 350.00 350.00EXHIBITION COMMITTEE - Mr. George L. Farnum, Chairman

Rent (1/10 total)		500.00	
Salaries - Miss Samuel 1/6	\$ 300.00		
Mr. Rust 1/3	<u>1,000.00</u>	1,300.00	
Philadelphia Flower Show		2,000.00	
June Flower Show		- -	
Dahlia Show		650.00	
Hardy Chrysanthemum Show		150.00	
New Equipment, Repairs, etc.		100.00	
Trophies for other Societies		<u>300.00</u>	
TOTAL			5,000.00

LIBRARY COMMITTEE - Mrs. Horatio Gates Lloyd, Chairman

Rent (9/40 total)		1,125.00	
Salary - Miss Samuel 5/6		1,500.00	
Subscriptions, periodicals		160.00	
New Books		250.00	
Binding		100.00	
Postage, labels, etc.		<u>40.00</u>	
TOTAL			3,175.00

GARDEN AWARDS - Mr. W. J. Serrill 50.00 50.00COMMITTEE ON GARDEN CONSULTATION - Mr. Wister

Salary, Mr. Rust 2/3	<u>2,000.00</u>	2,000.00	
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SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS

School of Horticulture	200.00		
Garden Days	250.00		
HORTICULTURE	2,800.00		
Philadelphia Flower Show Lunch	50.00		
Membership Campaign	<u>200.00</u>		
TOTAL			3,500.00

GRAND TOTAL \$24,185.00

Plus Depreciation 1,358.44

TOTAL \$25,543.44

(1933 Budget - \$29,710.00)

(1934 Estimated Income - \$26,775.74)

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Mrs. Elliott, Chairman of the Lecture Committee, reported the attendance at the four lectures of the 1934 series as follows:

January 16 - Botanical Lecture, by Dr. True	215
January 30 - Botanical Lecture, by Dr. Zirkle	137
February 6 - "Wild Flowers", by Dr. Gress	273
February 20 - Botanical Lecture, by Dr. Fogg	52

The blizzard on February 20th was responsible for the small attendance that day, which was very unfortunate as the lecture was most interesting, and in addition there was on display a collection of beautiful flower pictures, shown by members of "The Ten", a group of women artists who had just concluded an exhibit of their work at the Philadelphia Art Club.

Before the meeting was called to order Mrs. Elliott spoke informally of the encouraging response to the botanical lectures in this year's series, and asked the Council members to consider during the next few months whether it would be advisable to undertake a more comprehensive course of say ten or twelve botanical lectures next winter. In addition, there would be two or three illustrated horticultural lectures.

Mrs. J. Norman Henry, Chairman of the Committee for the Luncheon on March 15th for Sir Frederick and Lady Moore, reported that the luncheon will be at the Bellevue-Stratford, and that announcements will be sent to the entire membership inviting them to attend at a subscription price of \$1.50 per person. Members may also invite friends at the same price. Mrs. Henry showed the Council the list of specially invited guests, including about sixty persons, and asked for suggestions and additions to the list.

The President announced that the School of Horticulture has discontinued their co-operation in joint Garden Days, and that therefore the Society will conduct its own Garden Visits this year, as it did before 1929, when the joint Garden Days were undertaken. He said that three Spring Saturday afternoons have been suggested - April 28th in Wilmington, May 12th in Chestnut Hill, and May 26th on the Main Line. In addition there would be one or two Fall Garden Visiting Days. He said that the Secretary would be glad to have suggestions about this activity.

The President stated that Mrs. J. Norman Henry had represented the Society at the Hearing in Washington on Senate Bill 1839, introduced by Senator Joseph T. Robinson of Arkansas, providing for the transfer of the Botanic Garden from the Library of Congress to the Department of Agriculture, which was held on February 20th. The statement which Mrs. Henry submitted at the Hearing is as follows:

"I am here as a representative of the Pennsylvania Horticultural Society, the oldest institution of its kind in America, with a membership of over thrity-five hundred. I am also a representative of the Massachusetts Horticultural Society which has a membership of over seventy-two hundred. On their behalf I want to urge the transfer of the Washington Botanic Garden from its present management to that of the Department of Agriculture.

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"Horticulture has become an immense interest in America, an interest that opens up a world of science, beauty and healthful recreation.

"Botanic gardens should be the very foundation of horticultural knowledge. After 80 years' trial where it is, the Washington Botanic Garden has no standing at all in the eyes of the Horticultural or botanical world.

"On the other hand, the Department of Agriculture, through its Bureau of Plant Industry, has already the staff, the facilities and the experience to go far toward immediately establishing such a garden, as well as the international contacts that would create its position among the botanic gardens of the world.

"The Department of Agriculture has already the administration of the National Arboretum, now under development and should have, in our opinions, the program of this similar project in the closely related field.

"Since the Department of Agriculture has demonstrated what it can do and the present management has demonstrated what it has, we firmly believe that in the very able care of the Department of Agriculture the garden will rise up and take its rank so that we will be proud of and not ashamed of our National Botanic Garden. I ask again that you give the garden a chance and put it where it belongs."

(Signed) "Mary G. Henry."

The President presented his own and the Council's thanks to Mrs. Henry for so ably representing the Society at the Hearing.

The Council considered the addition of Honorary Members to the Society, and agreed that it was an excellent idea to elect distinguished horticulturists and botanists to this class of membership from time to time. Upon Mrs. Henry's nomination, seconded by Mr. Wister, the following persons were elected Honorary Members:

- Dr. Edgar T. Wherry, of the University of Pennsylvania, noted for his knowledge of Acid Soil plants and Wild Flowers.
- Professor A. P. Saunders, of Clinton, New York. Plant Breeder, especially well-known for his work with Peonies and Irises.
- Dr. C. Stuart Gager, Director of the Brooklyn Botanic Garden, and author of botanical text books.
- Miss Elizabeth C. White, of Whitesbog, New Jersey, famous for her work in improving the Blueberry.
- Sir W. Wright Smith, Director of Royal Botanic Garden, Edinburgh.
- Sir Arthur W. Hill, Director of Kew Gardens and Editor of Curtis's Botanical Magazine.

Dr. Pittier, a famous South American botanist, was also elected, and M. Croce, the Minister of Agriculture, of Argentina, was suggested, but it was decided not to elect him until more information is available.

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The President reported the receipt of a letter from Mrs. C. C. Zantzinger, Chairman of the Council for Preservation of Natural Beauty in Pennsylvania (of which this Society is a member), asking that he appoint a representative to the Pennsylvania Co-operative Conservation Council, recently formed by Mrs. Zantzinger and Mrs. A. B. Ross, Chairman, Conservation Department of the State Federation of Pennsylvania Women. Mrs. Zantzinger explained that the new group has been organized with a view to co-operation of the two organizations in their common interests and activities in conservation and roadside improvement in the State. Mrs. Zantzinger suggested that Mrs. Thomas Newhall be appointed as the Society's representative, and with the Council's complete approval the President made the appointment. (Mrs. Newhall was not at the meeting but has since accepted.)

Mr. Wister spoke briefly of a new conservation project being undertaken by a group of women in conjunction with the C. W. A. at Mystery Park, a place about thirty or forty miles from Philadelphia.

As there was no further business, the meeting on motion adjourned.

John C. Wister
Secretary.

March 28, 1934.

A regular meeting of the EXECUTIVE COUNCIL of THE PENNSYLVANIA HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY, originally called for March 21st but postponed for a week on account of absence from town of several members, was held in the rooms of the Society, 1600 Arch Street, on the above date. The President, Mr. C. Frederick C. Stout, was in the Chair.

Those present were: Mrs. William T. Elliott, Mrs. J. Norman Henry, Mrs. Horatio Gates Lloyd, Mrs. Thomas Newhall, Mr. W. Atlee Burpee, Jr., Mr. Fairman R. Furness, Mr. Jay V. Hare, Dr. J. Horace McFarland, Mr. Alex. MacLeod, Mr. S. S. Pennock, Mr. Thomas W. Sears, Mr. William J. Serrill and Mr. C. F. C. Stout.

Regrets were reported from Mrs. Arthur H. Scott, Mr. Morris R. Bockius, Mr. F. E. Dixon, Mr. George L. Farnum, Mr. William W. Harper, Mr. J. Franklin McFadden, Mr. W. Hinckle Smith and Mr. John C. Wister.

The minutes of the meeting of February 21st were approved as published and distributed.

In the absence of the Secretary, Miss Root acted as secretary of the meeting. She reported the office records for the month as follows: Thirty-four Annual Members were added in February and six Honorary Members. Eleven meetings were held in the rooms, and Mr. Rust had twelve conferences with members in the offices. There were 107 general visitors and 188 visitors to the Library.

The acting secretary read a report of the organization meeting of the American Rock Garden Society, held under auspicious circumstances, in New York City, on March 21st. Mr. Montague Free, Horticulturist of the Brooklyn Botanic Garden, was elected President. Over 250 persons attended the meeting. Dr. McFarland and Mr. Wister represented the Executive Council.

The names of 156 persons were proposed for annual membership and upon motion of Dr. McFarland, they were elected, bringing the total membership to 3675, the highest it has been for several months.

Letters of appreciation from the persons who were elected Honorary Members at the February meeting were passed around in order that all might read them.

Upon motion of Dr. J. Horace McFarland, duly seconded, Sir Frederick and Lady Moore, who had proven such delightful guests of the Society during the week of the Flower Show, were elected Honorary Members.

In connection with the election of Honorary Members, Mr. Serrill commented upon the rather large number of this class of members who were elected at the February meeting and said that although these particular persons were most deserving of the honor, he believed, in general, that it would be a good rule to send the names of nominees to members of the Council in advance of the meeting at which they were to be voted upon. Upon Mr. Serrill's motion, duly seconded, it was

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RESOLVED, That the By-Laws be amended to provide that Honorary Members cannot be elected at a meeting unless their names have been submitted to the members of the Executive Council in advance of that meeting.

In the absence of Mr. Farnum, Chairman of the Exhibition Committee, Mr. Burpee, Vice-Chairman, reported upon the Philadelphia Flower Show (March 12 - 17). He said that he considered it the most beautiful one yet held, and that it had been very successful in every way. He spoke particularly of the section devoted to the Society's exhibits, stating that he thought it one of the outstanding features. Although the attendance was not known exactly, he mentioned 100,000 as an approximate figure.

A discussion of the Flower Show followed, after which Mrs. Henry said she wished to speak of the advantages to the Society in holding a large Spring or Fall Show, with the assistance of the florists and commercial growers and in co-operation with the Academy of Natural Sciences. Mr. Charles Cadwalader, managing Director of the Academy, had assured her that the Academy building could be used for such a purpose, and that the Academy would be glad to co-operate in every way possible in such a project. She had also spoken to Mr. Edwin Fancourt, Chairman of the Philadelphia Flower Show, and his reaction was very favorable. The matter was referred to the Exhibition Committee for consideration.

Before leaving the subject of the Philadelphia Flower Show, Mr. Stout spoke of the remarkable beauty of the exhibition as a whole which, he said, was directly due to Mr. Sears' planning; and Mr. Sears was heartily congratulated by the Council upon his work.

Mrs. Henry reported that 420 members had attended the luncheon at the Bellevue-Stratford for Sir Frederick and Lady Moore on March 15th, and that she felt the affair was well worth-while. She expressed the hope that a larger affair may be held next year, and said that music might be an attractive feature and that possibly a dinner might prove a greater inducement to the men, who were decidedly in the minority at the luncheon. Mrs. Henry said she would like to have Mr. Liberty Hyde Bailey as the guest of honor in 1935, and her suggestion was unanimously approved.

A preliminary list of the Society's Garden Visits for 1934 was submitted. It was approved with a few changes and will be printed and ready for distribution to members about the middle of April. The dates and localities are as follows: April 28 - Vicinity of Wilmington; May 12 - Chestnut Hill; May 16 - Main Line; May 26 - Main Line; October 6 - Main Line; November 3 - Swarthmore.

Announcement was made of a Forum of Presidents of member clubs of the Garden Club Federation of Pennsylvania, to be held in this building on April 3rd, to which Mr. Stout, as President, is invited to represent the Society or to send a delegate.

The President spoke of the various groups of persons who compose

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the membership of the Society, as shown on the Organization Chart drawn by Mr. Sears last year, and said he wished these different groups might be brought into closer relationship with the Society for mutual benefit. He thought this might be effected if Chairmen could be found who would stimulate interest in the Society in their respective groups, and arrange meetings to be held along the lines in which these particular groups are interested, in our rooms. There was a general discussion of the matter, but the feeling seemed to be that the majority of the special groups are already well organized and that most of them hold as many meetings as the members can attend. Mr. Hare, however, suggested that the largest group in the membership is the one composed of amateurs (at least 90% of the entire membership) and that he believed this particular group would welcome an opportunity to meet and exchange ideas with each other under intelligent leadership. He suggested Forums at regular intervals where problems could be discussed with special subjects assigned for each meeting. Among these special subjects, he mentioned Roses, the finer shrubs, Iris, Perennials, Annuals, Rock Garden Plants, Pruning, the small garden, etc.; and the other members of the Council also mentioned subjects that might be of great value to the amateur gardener. Mr. Hare's idea met with general approval and the President stated he would ask the Committee on Gardens to give it serious consideration. Dr. McFarland said that if such forums or meetings were decided upon, he would be willing to act as leader in the one devoted to Roses.

To show the increasing interest that is being manifested in the problems of the amateur, Dr. McFarland told the Council that at the organization meeting of the American Rock Garden Society, Dr. E. D. Merrill, Director of the New York Botanical Garden, had promised the facilities of that institution in identifying Rock Garden plants of members, and that straightway Dr. C. Stuart Gager, Director of the Brooklyn Botanic Garden, had pledged the resources of his organization in the same direction.

The pruning exhibit of the Brooklyn Botanic Garden at the New York Flower Show was mentioned as being the type of exhibit that has much educational value for the amateur, and other unusually fine exhibits of an educational nature at the New York Show were commented upon and praised. The desire was expressed that an effort be made to secure exhibits of an educational character for the Philadelphia Flower Show. Mrs. Lloyd also expressed a desire that more space be given to the Society's exhibits in next year's Flower Show.

The President spoke of the excellent work performed by Mrs. Joseph P. Sims as Chairman of the Society's classes at the Philadelphia Flower Show, and he and other members called attention to the remarkably pleasant way in which she performed her duties and dealt with exhibitors during the trying week of the Show. He suggested that the sum of \$100.00 might be given to her and a like amount to Mr. Charles Willing who designed and executed the attractive garden in red and white which was the Society's special exhibit at the Show, as a mark of appreciation by the Society. Upon motion of Mr. Burpee, duly seconded, it was

RESOLVED, That the sum of \$100.00 be given to Mrs. Sims and to Mr. Willing in appreciation of their splendid services to the Society

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in connection with the Philadelphia Flower Show,

As there was no further business, the meeting, on motion, adjourned.

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April 18, 1934.

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Those present were: Mrs. William T. Elliott, Mrs. J. Norman Henry, Mrs. Horatio Gates Lloyd, Mr. J. V. Hare, Dr. J. Horace McFarland, Mr. William J. Serrill, Mr. W. Hinckle Smith, Mr. C. F. C. Stout, and Mr. John C. Wister.

Regrets were received from Mrs. Arthur H. Scott, Mrs. Thomas Newhall, Mr. Morris R. Bockius, Mr. W. Atlee Burpee, Jr., Mr. F. E. Dixon, Mr. George L. Farnum, Mr. Fairman R. Furness, Mr. William W. Harper, Mr. J. Franklin McFadden and Mr. S. S. Pennock.

The minutes of the meeting of March 28th were approved as published and distributed.

55 Annual Members were elected, making total membership of 3717.

The Secretary reported office records for the month of March as follows: Two Honorary Members and 164 Annual Members were added, and twenty-eight members were lost through resignation or death. Six meetings were held in the Council Room. Mr. Rust visited two gardens and held eight office consultations. There were 136 visitors to the Library and 457 general visitors to the rooms, the large number of general visitors being due to the fact that members came to the rooms to purchase specially-priced tickets for the Philadelphia Flower Show.

Two amendments to the By-Laws, notice of proposed changes having been sent to members in advance of the meeting, were unanimously adopted; the first upon motion of Mrs. Lloyd and the second upon motion of Mr. Serrill. (Since the meeting, the Secretary has written to those members not present at the meeting, and has had favorable replies from all except two - Mrs. Scott who is on a world cruise and Mr. Farnum who is ill.) The first amendment applies to Section IV, and gives the Treasurer authority to pledge securities of the Society when it is necessary for him to borrow money for the Society. The occasion for such an amendment arose recently when the Treasurer and Secretary applied for a loan of \$2,000.00 from a Trust Company, and they were told that the Company would like to have proper authority from the By-Laws before accepting securities of the Society for such a loan. The second amendment applies to By-Law IX, second paragraph, and provides that names of nominees for Honorary Membership must be sent to members of the Executive Council before a meeting at which they are to be voted upon.

The By-Laws, as amended, read as follows, the additional phrases which constitute the changes being underlined in each case:

Section IV (Treasurer)

The Treasurer shall collect all dues and other income and shall keep the accounts of the Society, disburse its money, and report thereon at the regular meeting of the Executive Council in January. He shall deposit the funds of the Society in such Bank or Trust Company as the Executive Council shall designate. All payments shall be made by check. He shall pay bills only upon the approval of the Chairman of the Committee authorizing the purchase or contract. He shall with

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the approval of the President or one of the Vice-Presidents, have authority to borrow money in order to provide funds for the legitimate expenses of the Society or when in his judgment it is for the best interests of the Society so to do, and to pledge as collateral security for such borrowing any securities of the Society that may be necessary. He shall furnish a bond in such amount as the Executive Council may determine, the premium for which shall be paid by the Society, and the Bond shall at all times be in the custody of the President.

Section IX - 2nd Paragraph (Honorary Members)

Honorary Members may be elected by the Executive Council at any regular meeting, provided that names of nominees have been sent to members of the Council in advance of the meeting. This honor is reserved for persons of pre-eminence in horticulture and kindred sciences, and signifies the high regard in which they are held. No dues are required from Honorary Members. They shall not be permitted to vote or hold office.

Another change in the By-Laws was suggested and discussed, namely to reduce the Life Membership fee from \$100.00 to \$50.00. According to the office records, only one Life Member has been enrolled since the fee was raised from \$50.00 to \$100.00 in May, 1932. In 1929, when the fee was still \$50, a determined effort was made to secure Life Members and seventy-nine were added; in 1930, thirty-two; in 1931, thirteen; and in 1932 between January 1st and May 1st when the fee was raised, twenty-three were enrolled. Of the total of 203 for the above years, 140 were persons who transferred from Annual Membership and sixty-three were new members.

Upon motion of Dr. McFarland, duly seconded, it was

RESOLVED, That an amendment to the By-Laws be voted upon at the May meeting to provide for reduction of the Life Membership fee from \$100.00 to \$50.00.

On account of the inability of two members of the Committee on Garden Awards to serve this year, the Chairman, Mr. Serrill, reported that another member has been added, Mrs. Moncure Biddle. The Committee plans to make its first visit on April 26th.

The Secretary reported receipt of a letter from Dr. McFarland, telling of the success of a Garden School held recently at College Park, Maryland. The President said this was the kind of thing he thought the Garden Committee could do for the Society, and he hoped the Committee would become more active in future.

The appointment of Mr. J. V. Hare as Acting Chairman of the Exhibition Committee was announced. The appointment was necessitated by the continued illness of Mr. George L. Farnum, Chairman. A great deal of concern was expressed over Mr. Farnum's condition, and upon hearing that his surplus Dahlias were being offered for sale, the Council authorized the Secretary to do everything possible to inform interested persons that a limited number of

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these famous Dahlias were available.

Mrs. Henry reported that she had invited Dr. Liberty Hyde Bailey to attend the dinner to be given by the Society next March during the week of the Philadelphia Flower Show, but had not had time for a reply. She suggested a subscription price of about \$2.00.

Mrs. Elliott, Chairman of the Lecture Committee, asked the Council members to give some thought during the next month or two to the type of lectures to be presented next year. She personally felt that a course of five or six botanical lectures might be more worth-while than a series of unrelated lectures, illustrated with pretty pictures.

The desirability of forums or round table discussions where members might bring their problems and confer together under guidance of a leader was brought up again, and the educational value of such meetings was stressed. Mr. W. Hinckle Smith expressed the opinion that Mr. Rust was admirably qualified to conduct weekly or monthly forums.

Lists of the Society's 1934 Garden Visits were examined, and attention called to the first afternoon on the list, Saturday, April 28th, when the gardens visited will be in the vicinity of Wilmington. Owing to the fact that Mr. Stout's and Mr. McFadden's gardens will be open on Wednesday, May 16th, the day originally scheduled for the May Council meeting, it was decided to postpone the Council meeting until May 23rd.

The President announced that the Annual Meeting of the Garden Club Federation of Pennsylvania will be held on May 18th and 19th. He appointed Mrs. Elliott to represent the Society as a delegate to the business meeting which will be held at the School of Horticulture in Ambler, on May 18th. Mrs. Lloyd will give a talk on "Old Herbals and Garden Books" after the dinner on May 18th.

John C. Winter
Secretary.

May 23, 1934.

The regular meeting of the EXECUTIVE COUNCIL of THE PENNSYLVANIA HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY, postponed from May 16th, was held in the rooms of the Society, 1600 Arch Street, on the above date. The President, Mr. C. Frederick C. Stout, was in the Chair.

Those present were: Mrs. William T. Elliott, Mrs. Thomas Newhall, Mrs. Arthur H. Scott, Mr. Alexander MacLeod, Mr. Thomas W. Sears, Mr. William J. Serrill, Mr. W. Hinckle Smith and Mr. C. F. C. Stout.

Regrets were received from Mrs. J. Norman Henry, Mrs. Horatio Gates Lloyd, Mr. Morris R. Bockius, Mr. W. Atlee Burpee, Jr., Mr. F. E. Dixon, Mr. George L. Farnum, Mr. Fairman R. Furness, Mr. J. V. Hare, Dr. J. Horace McFarland, Mr. S. S. Pennock, and Mr. John C. Wister.

The minutes of the meeting of April 18th were approved as published and distributed.

Office records for the month of April were reported as follows: Seven meetings were held in the Council Room. Mr. Rust made twelve visits to the gardens of members, held twenty office conferences and gave four talks to garden clubs. Eighty-five persons visited the rooms and there were 105 visitors to the Library.

Upon motion of Mrs. Elliott, duly seconded, the above report was accepted.

Upon motion of Mr. Hinckle Smith, duly seconded, fifty-two members whose names had been proposed, were elected to Annual Membership, bringing the total membership to 3724.

An amendment to the By-Laws, reducing Life Membership fee from \$100.00 to \$50.00, was adopted upon motion of Mr. Serrill. (The change was discussed at the last meeting and notice of the proposed amendment was sent to all members before the present meeting.)

The amended paragraph now reads as follows, with change in wording underlined:

By-Law XI. (Dues.) Paragraph 3. Any person may be elected a Patron upon the payment of ten thousand dollars. Any person may be elected a Benefactor upon the payment of five thousand dollars. Any person may be elected a Sustaining Member upon the payment of one thousand dollars. Any person may be elected a Life Member upon the payment of fifty dollars.

Upon motion of Mrs. Elliott, duly seconded, it was voted to refund \$50.00 of the \$100.00 Life Membership fee paid by the only person (Miss Helen Semple, of Ardmore) who has become a Life Member since the fee was increased from \$50.00 to \$100.00 in May, 1932.

Mr. Serrill, Chairman of the Committee on Garden Awards, reported that his Committee is in the midst of garden visits.

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Mrs. Elliott, Chairman of the Lecture Committee, asked the Council for their opinion upon the question which was referred to them at a previous meeting as to whether they would favor the presentation of a course of lectures of a serious type this winter, increasing the number of talks to five. The members unanimously agreed that such a course had distinct educational possibilities and was well worth trying. Mr. Sears and Mr. Serrill asked whether the course might be broadened to include possibly two lectures of a horticultural nature, such as foundation planting, soil testing, etc., and these suggestions were approved. It was considered advisable for the Chairman to request Dr. True to plan a course of five lectures with the above thoughts in mind.

In connection with the Society's Garden Visits, the largest attendance on each afternoon so far, was reported as follows: April 28th, 400 - Mrs. Coleman du Pont's valley garden, near Wilmington; May 12th, 355 - Mr. and Mrs. Henry D. Boenning's garden in Chestnut Hill; May 16th, 275 - Mr. and Mrs. J. Franklin McFadden's garden, at Radnor.

Mrs. Elliott presented an interesting report of the Annual Meeting of the Garden Club Federation of Pennsylvania, held on May 18th, at the School of Horticulture in Ambler, which she attended as the Society's representative. She said that sixty-eight organizations were represented, and that the meeting was most successful. The Gold Medal of Achievement, offered by Mrs. George L. Harrison, Jr., each year, was awarded to the Garden Club of Carlisle, with first Honorable Mention going to the Garden Club of Kittanning and second Honorable Mention to the Garden Club of Philadelphia. The Treasurer of the Federation graciously expressed the thanks of that organization to the Society for the use of the Council Room for Board meeting and for other co-operation. Mrs. Jay V. Hare was elected President. After supper, Mrs. Lloyd presented a delightful talk on Old Garden Books and Herbals, and Mrs. Bush-Brown gave an illustrated talk on the School of Horticulture.

The President stated that Mrs. Newhall had accepted the appointment to represent the Society at the Annual Meeting of the Executive Committee of the Elizabeth Price Martin Fellowship to be held at Strawberry Mansion on May 25th.

A message was reported from Mrs. Horace F. Nixon of Chestnut Hill, asking that the Society undertake work to eradicate the Tent Caterpillar. The matter was discussed and it developed that several organizations, including the Council for Preservation of Natural Beauty in Pennsylvania, the Shade Tree Commission of the Main Line and the Penn Valley Garden Club, have done serious work along this line recently and that it is now too late in the season to undertake anything new. Mrs. Newhall said she thought it would be an excellent piece of work for the Garden Club Federation, with its eight thousand members, to consider for next year, and it was also suggested that the Federated Women's Clubs, with their many garden divisions, might be a good agency to conduct such a campaign.

The President read a letter from Lady Moore, in Ireland, thanking the Council for conferring Honorary Memberships upon her and Sir Frederick, and again expressing her gratitude for their entertainment in Philadelphia.

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A letter of thanks from Mrs. Joseph W. Sims was read, in which she voiced her appreciation of the check for \$100.00 which was sent to her by the Society in recognition of her work as Chairman of the Society's classes at the Philadelphia Flower Show.

The President announced that next year's Philadelphia Flower Show will be held the week of March 25th, the same week as the Boston Show. The New York Flower Show has been set for the week beginning March 18th.

Mrs. Newhall reported that the Powel House and adjoining garden have been opened this Spring on different occasions, and that when they were opened on May 15th, on a garden day of the Society of Little Gardens, thirty-two persons visited them (paying an admission of 25¢) despite the very disagreeable weather conditions.

Upon motion of Mr. Serrill, a vote of thanks was extended to Mr. McFadden and to Mr. Stout for opening their gardens to the members of the Society and their friends on May 16th.

As there was no further business, the meeting, on motion, adjourned.

Fannie A. Root,

Secretary of the Meeting.

C. Fredric C. Stout

President.

September 19, 1934.

The regular meeting of the EXECUTIVE COUNCIL of THE PENNSYLVANIA HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY was held in the rooms of the Society, 1600 Arch Street, on the above date. The President, Mr. C. Frederick C. Stout, was in the Chair.

Those present were: Mrs. J. Norman Henry, Mrs. Arthur H. Scott, Mr. Morris R. Bockius, Mr. Fairman R. Furness, Mr. J. V. Hare, Dr. J. Horace McFarland, Mr. Alex. MacLeod, Mr. Thomas W. Sears, Mr. William J. Serrill, Mr. W. Hinckle Smith and Mr. C. F. C. Stout.

Regrets were received from Mrs. William T. Elliott, Mrs. H. G. Lloyd, Mr. J. Franklin McFadden, Mr. W. Atlee Burpee, Jr., Mr. S. S. Pennock and Mr. John C. Wister.

The minutes of the meeting of May 23rd were approved as published and distributed, upon motion of Mr. Bockius.

Comparative figures from the office records for the four months of May, June, July and August in the two years of 1933 and 1934 were presented as follows:

	Membership			Mr. Rust				Visitors	
	Total	Gain	Loss	Visits	Judge	Lectures	Meetings	General	Library
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ending (1933	3682	167	320	25	5	3	14	254	322
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It was thought that the drop in membership from last year was due to the continued depression and the separation from the School of Horticulture in the Garden Day program.

Upon motion of Dr. McFarland, the figures were accepted.

Thirty-eight Annual Members were elected, making the total membership as of September 19th, 3474.

The President spoke with deep regret of the death of Mr. George L. Farnum, which occurred in July.

Upon motion of Mr. W. Hinckle Smith, the following Resolution was adopted:

The Executive Council records with sorrow the death of Mr. George L. Farnum, of "The Acres", Media, Pennsylvania, in Baltimore, on July 14, 1934.

Mr. Farnum had been a member of the Executive Council since 1929, and was always keenly interested in all of the activities of the Society. The most valuable gift ever received by the Society's library was a complete set of Curtis's Botanical Magazine, presented by him. He was also active in the exhibitions of the Society and at the time of his death was chairman of its exhibition committee. He was vice-president of the American Dahlia Society, member-at-large of the Garden Club of America, and

an honorary member of the Four Counties Garden Club of Philadelphia.

Mr. Farnum was best known in the horticultural world for his great interest in dahlias and was a recognized authority on this flower. He had a very unusual collection of dahlias in his garden at Media and had made several trips abroad to obtain novelties. He had also introduced some of his own seedlings.

It was further resolved, upon motion of Mr. Hinckle Smith, that the resolution be incorporated in the minutes of the meeting, and that a copy be sent to Mr. Farnum's nearest relative, Mrs. William M. Dabney, a cousin.

A list of several names was submitted as candidates for the vacancy on the Council caused by Mr. Farnum's death, and after discussion the choice narrowed down to the following four persons, with the decision that one of them shall be elected at the next meeting of the Council: Mrs. Alvin Markle, of Hazleton; Mr. Robert Pyle, of the Conard-Pyle Rose Company at West Grove; and Dr. Rodney H. True and Dr. Edgar T. Wherry, of the Botany Department of the University of Pennsylvania.

The President announced that the Nominating Committee, composed of the Council members who have more than one year but less than two years to serve, would meet after the Council meeting to nominate seven members to serve on the Executive Council during 1935, '36 and '37.

Mr. Hare,

The Acting Chairman of the Exhibition Committee, reported that Mrs. Otho Lane, of the West Chester Garden Club, will serve as Chairman of the Society's classes in the Flower Show next March, and that Mrs. Lane seems to have a very good grasp of her duties. Also, in connection with the March Show, he reported that a meeting was held on September 10th of the Society's Exhibition Committee, a committee from the local branch of the National Gardeners' Association, and representatives from State College, to consider a joint pruning exhibit. Mr. Sears presented different plans for staging the exhibit, but the matter was left in the hands of the Exhibition Committee for final decision. Mr. Hare reported that preliminary work for the Dahlia Show, to be held in Bryn Mawr on September 28th and 29th, was progressing satisfactorily, and added that Mr. Farnum and his Dahlias would be greatly missed.

The President asked Mr. Hare to serve as Chairman of the Exhibition Committee and Mr. Hare accepted the appointment.

A comparative report of the Garden Visits of the School of Horticulture and of the Society was presented, as follows: The total number of Society members visiting gardens this year (two Fall visits have not yet been made) is 1,438, as against 2,380 last year. The total number of \$1.00 paid admissions to the School's Garden Days this year is \$981.00, as compared to \$1,083.00 last year.

It was remarked that several members of the Society have resigned because they do not like the new system of Garden Visits and, also, that the revenue to the School from this activity suffered a severe loss this year.

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The President spoke of the new quarters of the Garden Club Federation of Pennsylvania, in room 607, next to the Society's library. He announced that the Semi-Annual Meeting of the Federation will be held in Greensburg on October 16th and 17th, and asked Mrs. Arthur H. Scott to represent the Society at the meeting. Mrs. Scott accepted the appointment.

The following letters were reported as having been received recently:

A letter from the National Association of Gardeners, inquiring whether the Society would be willing to allow its rooms to be used for classes of the local School for Gardeners if the Philadelphia Branch establishes such a School. The Secretary replied to the letter that the Society will be glad to co-operate, but that our rooms are not adapted to such a course in the same way as the rooms of The Horticultural Society of New York.

A letter from Dr. C. Stuart Gager, Director of the Brooklyn Botanic Garden, asking for an exchange of privileges between members of the two organizations - to which the Secretary replied that the Society would welcome such an exchange except in the case of the Philadelphia Flower Show, admissions to which are not controlled by the Society.

A letter from Dr. H. Pittier, of Venezuela, thanking the Society for conferring Honorary Membership upon him.

The President had spoken earlier in the meeting of the illness of Mrs. Horatio Gates Lloyd, at her summer home in Massachusetts, and upon the suggestion of Mrs. Scott, the Council decided to send flowers to her with a message of sympathy and wishes for an early recovery.

As there was no further business, the meeting on motion, adjourned.

Fannie A. Root,

Secretary of the Meeting.

Frederic C. Throat,

President.

October 17, 1934.

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The minutes of the meeting of September 19th were approved as published and distributed.

Office records for the month of September were reported as follows: Four Annual Members were added and 103 members were lost, the majority of the latter being May members who were dropped for non-payment of dues. Mr. Rust judged seven Flower Shows and made three visits to gardens. Six meetings were held in the Society's rooms, and there were seventy-seven general visitors and seventy-one visitors to the Library.

Nine Annual Members were elected, upon motion of Dr. McFarland, bringing the total membership to 3383.

The members of the Council expressed very deep regret at the death of Mrs. Horatio Gates Lloyd which occurred at her summer home in Cotuit, Massachusetts, on September 23rd. Dr. McFarland read the following minute which he had prepared and which was adopted upon motion of Mrs. Newhall, with instructions to the Secretary that a copy be sent to Mr. Lloyd.

When an attempt is made to consider the horticultural activities of Mrs. Horatio Gates Lloyd and her beneficences to the gardening world, there is amazement at the multifarious activities of this outstanding woman.

Members of this Society and of its Executive Council need no reminder that she was the first woman Vice-President this century-old Society has had, that she was always in place and always interested, and that she, as Chairman of its Library Committee, made the book resources of the Society available to its members and to visitors with great efficiency. That she did not confine her activities to the Philadelphia vicinity appears when one notes that she was also a Director of the American Horticultural Society; First Vice-President of the Garden Club of America; Plant Material Editor of the Bulletin of that distinguished organization; a courageous fighter against the excesses of Federal quarantines, and a resourceful garden friend to all who loved plants.

Mrs. Lloyd's great Haverford garden, unique in design, material and maintenance, was made accessible through her kindly feeling, upon

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many occasions. Her training as an artist made her home garden-pictures more effective, and this training was always used to the advantage of this Society in connection with the shows which she supported and at which she was a consistent exhibitor.

Those of us who had the good fortune to be associated with Mrs. Lloyd from month to month at the meetings of the Executive Council, relied upon her ability, her interest and her unfailing humor. She was a dependable associate whose loss will be long felt.

This minute is adopted at the October meeting of the Executive Council of the Pennsylvania Horticultural Society as an expression, however, inadequate, of our feeling of loss, and to record the high esteem in which we, her associates, held this great garden woman.

A discussion of candidates to fill the vacancy on the Council caused by the death of Mr. Farnum took place and, upon motion of Mr. Pennock, the name of Mrs. Edward M. Cheston was added to the list of four candidates to receive special consideration.

Upon motion of Dr. McFarland, Mrs. Alvan Markle, Jr., of Hazleton, whose name was included in the above list, was unanimously elected to fill Mr. Farnum's unexpired term.

It was decided to wait until another meeting to elect a member to succeed Mrs. Lloyd. In selecting candidates, the President asked the Council to take into consideration the question of qualifications for Committee Chairmanships, as the Chairmen of Standing Committees must be chosen from the Council.

The Nominating Committee met on September 19th, to nominate seven persons for the regular three year term. The following seven members of the Council were re-nominated to serve during 1935, 1936 and 1937. Election will be held in November. Mrs. Thomas Newhall, Mrs. Arthur H. Scott, Mr. Jay V. Hare, Mr. William Warner Harper, Mr. Alex MacLeod, Dr. J. Horace McFarland and Mr. Thomas W. Sears.

The Chairman of the Exhibition Committee, Mr. J. V. Hare, reported on the Dahlia Show, held in Bryn Mawr on September 28th and 29th. The attendance was 800 on the first day, and 500 on the second, when it rained almost continuously. Mr. Hare said that the quality of flowers was exceptionally fine and the Show excellent, but that he didn't think a tent was suitable for a Flower Show in our climate. Other members held the same view and a discussion followed of places where the Fall Show might be held in future. Mr. Hare mentioned two places he has in mind - one a large building near the centre of the city and the other a hall in a convenient suburban location. Mrs. Newhall said that Mrs. Robert Glendenning had objected strongly to the tent Show, and suggested that the Society might possibly be able to secure the unused portion of the Art Museum on the Parkway for a Flower Show.

Upon motion of Mrs. Newhall, it was decided to abandon the idea of holding the Dahlia Show in conjunction with the Bryn Mawr Horse Show.

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Mr. Hare reminded the members of the Hardy Chrysanthemum Show which will be held in rooms adjacent to the Society's quarters on October 31st and November 1st. He stated that the Committee in charge of the schedule for the classes sponsored by the Society at the Philadelphia Flower Show is meeting regularly and hopes to have the schedule ready to send out in November. The Committee in charge of the Pruning Exhibit for the Philadelphia Flower Show is working on plans.

The Chairman of the Committee on Garden Awards, Mr. William J. Serrill, submitted the following report, addressed to the President:

The Committee on Garden Awards begs to submit the following report for the season 1934.

The Committee visited sixteen gardens this year. After careful consideration the Committee recommends that no gold or silver medals be awarded. The ravages of the extreme winter of 1933-34 and the economies induced by the depression have combined this season in lowering the condition of the gardens we visited. Those gardens which might normally have been in either the gold or silver medal class were temporarily damaged by the severity of the winter.

The Committee therefore recommends the following awards:

A GARDEN CERTIFICATE to Mrs. Isaac LaBoiteaux, Bryn Mawr. Gardens may rightly be divided into two classes - the beautiful gardens in which design and architectural features are paramount, and the gardens of knowledge and interest in plant material. The garden of Mrs. LaBoiteaux belongs to the latter category. On a small piece of ground in a distinctly suburban location, Mrs. LaBoiteaux has developed a veritable arboretum of native wild flowers and very interesting plant material, bringing these to perfection by intelligent study of soil values.

In the Spring, growing under pine and dogwood, are the arbutus, the cypripedium, the trillium, fritillarias, dog-tooth violets, and several varieties of primroses. These are only a few of her successes. The native Maidenhair and Royal ferns are beautifully grown. A visit with her in her garden is a real lesson in horticulture, as well as a delightful occasion.

A GARDEN CERTIFICATE to Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Cover, Jr., Bryn Mawr. This garden is of the wild flower type. Mrs. Cover has studied and experimented until her woods and shaded slopes are a veritable wild flower preserve. The result is very lovely and restful, and a monument to the patience, intelligence and enthusiasm of the owner. This garden contains good possibilities for development.

A GARDEN CERTIFICATE to Mr. and Mrs. Arthur H. Brockie, Chestnut Hill. This place is elaborate in conception and holds great possibilities. It features mainly the natural resources. An old quarry with water has been developed into a delightful pool. Bold cliffs and wooded

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slopes - the latter filled with native plants, and in the Spring a sheet of narcissus in all varieties - lend a secluded character. The house and terrace and intimate garden, which are in themselves most attractive, look down on all this beauty.

The estimated cost of these Certificates is under \$10.00. The budget allowance for the Committee on Garden Awards is \$50.00.

Respectfully submitted,

Committee on Garden Awards,

Mrs. Richard L. Barrows

Mrs. Moncure Biddle

Mrs. Benjamin Bullock

Mrs. A. F. M. Chandler

WILLIAM J. SERRILL, Chairman.

Upon motion of Mrs. Elliott, the report was accepted and the recommendations approved.

The President spoke of the Society's Garden Visit to the J. Clifford Rosengartens' estate in Villa Nova on October 6th, and said that on account of the very rainy weather, only thirty visitors attended.

Mrs. Thomas Newhall, the Society's delegate to the Annual Meeting of the Elizabeth Price Martin Fellowship in May, reported that the advisability of discontinuing the attempt to raise \$50,000. for the Fellowship was discussed at the meeting, and in view of the difficulty of raising money at the present time and in consideration of the feelings of Mrs. Martin's family, some members felt it would be wise to disband in a dignified way and to permit the Trustees to use the interest of the \$5,000. already collected for the "emergency of the moment" each year. Mrs. Newhall also mentioned the \$100,000 Memorial Fund to Mrs. Martin which is being undertaken by the Garden Club of America, in which the local G. C. A. clubs are very much interested and which they think will succeed.

Upon Mrs. Newhall's suggestion, it was voted that the Society's delegate to the next Annual Meeting of the Elizabeth Price Martin Fellowship shall be instructed to vote for discontinuing the Fund if the matter is presented for decision.

Mrs. Newhall reported, also, as delegate to the Pennsylvania Co-operative Conservation Council, and said that that organization is interested in several large problems; such as the Elm Tree blight in Pennsylvania; the Wild Flower Planting at Washington Park; restoration of laborers on the Federal payroll for work on the Bird Sanctuaries; and in using its influence with the C. W. A. in regard to cutting down trees along the highways.

The President announced that the Annual Meeting of the Society will be held on November 21st, at 3:30 P. M., and that the Council meeting will be held at 2:30 on that day. He said that the Secretary has a series of inter-

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views with horticultural experts in mind as the special feature to follow the business session, and upon motion of Mrs. Elliott, the Secretary's plan was approved.

In connection with the Elizabeth Schaffer Trust Fund of the Society, the President reported that a \$35,000. mortgage in the Trust Fund was paid off recently and that he had recommended to the Girard Trust Company the re-investment of the proceeds in Municipal, State or Government bonds.

Dr. McFarland told the Council of the remarkably successful East Texas Rose Festival which he attended at Tyler, Texas, recently, at which 5,000,000 roses were shown. Fifty thousand persons were present, representing twenty-one states and three foreign countries.

As there was no further business, the meeting, on motion, adjourned.

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Secretary of the Meeting.

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President.

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The regular meeting of the EXECUTIVE COUNCIL of THE PENNSYLVANIA HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY was held in the rooms of the Society, 1600 Arch Street, on the above date. The President, Mr. C. Frederick C. Stout, was in the Chair.

Those present were Mrs. William T. Elliott, Mrs. J. Norman Henry, Mr. W. Atlee Burpee, Jr., Mr. Fairman R. Furness, Mr. J. V. Hare, Mr. Alex MacLeod, Mr. S. S. Pennock, Mr. Thomas W. Sears, Mr. William J. Serrill, Mr. C. F. C. Stout and Mr. John C. Wister.

Regrets were received from Mrs. Alvan Markle, Jr., Mrs. A. H. Scott, Mr. Morris R. Bockius, Mr. William Warner Harper, Mr. J. Franklin McFadden and Mr. W. Hinckle Smith.

The minutes of the meeting on October 18th were accepted as published and distributed, upon motion of Mrs. Elliott.

The Secretary reported office records for the month of October as follows: Twenty-one Annual Members were added and one member transferred from Annual to Life Membership. Mr. Rust visited ten gardens and had eight office consultations. Eight meetings were held in the rooms, there were eighty-eight general visitors and one hundred and nine visitors to the Library.

Twelve Annual Members were elected, upon motion of Mrs. Elliott, bringing the total membership to 3355.

Mrs. Henry submitted a list of candidates for Honorary Membership, and after discussing their qualifications, the candidates were elected as follows, upon motion of Mr. Pennock: Dr. N. E. Hansen, head of the Horticultural Department of State College of Brookings, South Dakota (Pioneer and leading scientist in the study of plants fitted to endure hard winters and long dry summers); Dr. I. B. Pole Evans, Chief of Division and Director Botanical Survey, Pretoria, South Africa; Dr. John K. Small, New York Botanical Garden, Bronx Park, New York, (author of botanical books); Professor U. P. Hedrick, New York Agricultural Experiment Station, Geneva, New York, (author of Cyclopedia of Hardy Fruits); Dr. E. D. Merrill, Director, New York Botanical Garden, Bronx Park, New York, Dr. A. B. Stout, New York Botanical Garden, (author of "Day Lilies" and authority on Lilies); and Mrs. Mary Vaux Wolcott, Washington, D. C., (author of "North American Wild Flowers").

The President said that he was pleased to announce the appointment of Mrs. Henry as Chairman of the Library Committee, and he again called attention to the appointment of Mr. Hare as Chairman of the Exhibition Committee.

Mr. Hare reported that the Hardy Chrysanthemum Show was held successfully on October 31st and November 1st, and that it was visited by five hundred members and friends. He stated that plans for the Philadelphia Flower Show are going forward and that the schedules for the classes sponsored by the Society have been mailed to all members. Dr. McFarland spoke of a special exhibit of food plants of American and European origin which was displayed by the New York Botanical Garden at the Chrysanthemum Show of The Horticultural Society of New York recently, and which excited much interest and favorable comment; and asked if the Council would be in favor of having the exhibit at the Philadelphia

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Flower Show. He said that Dr. E. D. Merrill, Director, had written that he thought it would be possible for the New York Botanical Garden to install an exhibit of this type if funds can be provided to cover the necessary expense of installation. The Council approved the idea and hoped that the Exhibition Committee would be able to carry it through.

The President announced the appointment of a Membership Committee composed of Mr. Burpee and Mr. Hare. The aim of the Committee, which the President says he hopes to make a permanent Committee, is to devise ways and means to increase the membership. In connection with increasing the membership throughout the State, a suggestion was made of adding Regional Vice-Presidents to stimulate interest in the Society in their particular districts.

The Chairman of the Lecture Committee, Mrs. Elliott, announced the program of lectures for the winter, as follows:

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| January 15 - Dr. J. Horace McFarland | - "Twenty-five Years with Roses and Other Posies." |
| January 29 - Dr. Edgar T. Wherry | - "How Plants Use the Soil." |
| February 5 - Mr. Frank Schrepfer | - "The Golden Age of the Garden." |
| February 19 - Dr. Rodney H. True | - "How Plants Are Affected by Other Plants." |
| March 5 - Mr. David Rust | - "House Plants and Their Care." |

The Secretary reported a letter from Dr. True, asking the Society to urge the purchase by the Federal Government of approximately four thousand acres of virgin timber land on the Allegheny Plateau. He said that Dr. True would introduce the following Resolution at the Annual Meeting later, and asked that the Council adopt it at the present meeting.

WHEREAS, a tract of land consisting of about four thousand acres of virgin timber, located on Tionesta Creek on the Allegheny Plateau in Warren and McKean Counties, is one of the small virgin areas still left standing and is in imminent danger of being cut; and,

WHEREAS, this tract would be of inestimable value as a basis of forest research, be it

RESOLVED, That The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society (representing at the present time 3300 members) which for almost a century has advocated better gardens and has, therefore, always been interested in the conservation of natural resources, urges the National Forestry Reserve Commission to authorize the purchase of this tract by the Federal Government.

Upon motion of Mr. Serrill, the motion was unanimously adopted.

The President reported a request from the Committee for the Gimbel Award of 1934 to the Society, asking for the Society's choice of Philadelphia's Outstanding Woman in 1934. The Council nominated the following women and the Secretary was instructed to place their names on the ballot:

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Miss Frances A. Wister, Mrs. Edward W. Bok, Miss Violet Oakley, Mrs. William J. Clothier and Mrs. Arthur H. Scott.

A letter from the Garden Club Federation of Pennsylvania was read, asking the Society to comply with a request from the Council for Preservation of Natural Beauty in Pennsylvania to send letters to Representatives and Senators in Washington, protesting against the proposed transfer of the United States Forest Service from the Department of Agriculture to the Department of the Interior.

A motion was made by Mrs. Henry that the Council comply with the request, but the majority of members felt that they were not sufficiently familiar with the matter to express themselves at this time, and therefore Mrs. Henry withdrew her motion and the President appointed Dr. McFarland and Mr. Serrill a committee of two to investigate the matter and to report to the Council at the next meeting.

Mr. Pennock spoke with regret of the death of Mr. Louis Burk, which occurred on November 18th. The President requested Mr. Pennock and the Secretary to prepare a resolution and to send a copy to Mr. Burk's family.

As there was no further business, the meeting, upon motion, adjourned.

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The Annual Meeting of THE PENNSYLVANIA HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY was held on Wednesday, November 21, at 3:30 P. M., with the President, Mr. C. Frederick C. Stout, in the Chair.

The President announced the election of the following members to serve on the Executive Council for the next three years: Mrs. Thomas Newhall, Mrs. Arthur H. Scott, Mr. Jay V. Hare, Mr. William Warner Harper, Mr. Alex MacLeod, Dr. J. Horace McFarland and Mr. Thomas W. Sears. Mrs. Alvan Markle, Jr., was elected to serve for two years to fill an unexpired term.

The President, after welcoming the members, presented the following data of the Society for the past year:

"It has been necessary to curtail expenditures somewhat in 1934 on account of decreased funds from the Society's three sources of income, which are as follows:

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| 1. Elizabeth Schaffer Trust Account, | \$13,000.00 |
| Girard Trust Co., Trustee, | |
| 2. Annual Dues | 9,000.00 |
| 3. Life Membership and General Account | <u>1,200.00</u> |

1934 Income approximately	23,000.00
(1933 " " "	27,500.00)

"The decrease in 1934 is due mainly to smaller income from investments, mostly mortgages, in the Elizabeth Schaffer Trust Account. However, in spite of smaller income, it has not been necessary to eliminate any of the privileges of the Society entirely or even to curtail them to any appreciable extent, and we expect to finish the year without a deficit.

"In regard to membership, we started 1934 with 3,547 members, and during the year we have lost 586 and gained 396 members, making a net loss of 190 and a present paid-up membership of 3,357. A new committee has recently been appointed to devise ways of gaining new members. We also are anxious to increase the number of our Life Members - the proportion of Life Members to Annual Members is too small and we hope that the reduction of the Life Membership fee from \$100.00 to \$50.00 which was made this year will help improve this condition.

"I am sorry to report that the Society has lost 42 members by death this year - 30 Annual Members and 12 Life and Honorary Members. Among the Life Members were two very valuable members of the Executive Council - Mr. George L. Farnum, whose death occurred on July 14th, and Mrs. Horatio Gates Lloyd, who died on September 23rd. Mr. Farnum was a member of the Executive Council for five years. He was active in exhibitions of the Society and Chairman of the Exhibition Committee at the time of his death. He was well known in the horticultural world for his interest in the Dahlia. He was an authority on that flower and had a

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wonderful collection in his garden at Media. He was a Vice-President of the American Dahlia Society, a member-at-large of the Garden Club of America and an Honorary Member of the Four Counties Garden Club.

"Mrs. Lloyd became a member of the Executive Council in 1920, being one of the first three women elected. She enjoyed the unique distinction of being the first woman Vice-President of the Society, having been elected to that office in 1930. Her beautiful garden at Haverford, famous for its Iris Bowl, quarry rock garden and other features was often opened to the Society. Mrs. Lloyd had a keen knowledge of gardening literature and possessed a remarkable collection of old Herbals and other early gardening books. She gave the Society the benefit of her specialized knowledge by serving as Chairman of the Library Committee for the last ten years. She was one of the editors of the Bulletin of the Garden Club of America, first Vice-President of that organization and a member of "The Gardeners" Garden Club.

"Mr. Louis Burk, who died on November 18th, was also a Life Member of the Society and served on the Executive Council for five years."

The President closed his report by referring to the next activity of the Society - the regular winter course of Lectures which will be given in January February and March. He also mentioned the special series of Educational Talks for Gardeners, which will be presented under the auspices of the Philadelphia Branch of the National Association of Gardeners in the Society's rooms this winter. He said that he had often considered the advisability of having a scientific course of lectures for those members who were particularly interested along this line, and said that before giving such a project serious consideration he would like to know how many of the members present would like such a course. Twenty responded by holding up their hands.

Upon motion of Dr. True, the following resolution was adopted:

"WHEREAS, a tract of land consisting of about four thousand acres of virgin timber, located on Tionesta Creek on the Allegheny Plateau in Warren and McKean Counties, is one of the small virgin acres still left standing and is in imminent danger of being cut; and,

"WHEREAS, this tract would be of inestimable value as a basis of forest research, be it

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The Secretary announced the Society's lectures, in detail, for the coming winter, and the series of Educational Talks for Gardeners in which the Society is co-operating with the Philadelphia Branch of the National Association of Gardeners, after which he presented his report for the past year as follows:

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SECRETARY'S REPORT.

"It seems proper at the Annual Meeting to present a summary of the activities of the past year, and therefore I have prepared a record of the Society's work to submit at this meeting. However, realizing that a secretary's report is apt to be uninteresting to the general membership if presented in detail and also keeping in mind that the main feature of the program is still to come, I have tried to make the report as brief as possible. A full description of the year's accomplishments may be found in the various reports to be published in the Year Book later on in the winter.

"The 1934 activities began with the lecture series in January and February. The committee in charge departed a little from the usual custom by including three lectures on botanical subjects and only one purely horticultural lecture. It was not possible to ascertain whether the members like this change or not, because the weather was most disagreeable on the afternoons of the botanical lectures and the committee did not know whether to attribute the small attendance to the more scientific type of lecture or to hold the weather entirely accountable. The botanical lectures were ably presented by Dr. Rodney H. True, head of the Botany Department of the University of Pennsylvania, and two members of his staff, Dr. Conway Zirkle and Dr. John M. Fogg, Jr. The horticultural lecture was given by Dr. E. M. Gress, State Botanist, whose subject was "The Wild Flowers of Pennsylvania."

"In March the Society took an active part in the Philadelphia Flower Show. Mrs. Joseph P. Sims kindly served again as chairman of the committee in charge of the classes sponsored by the Society, and Mr. Charles Willing, for the second time, designed and staged an attractive garden for the Society's special exhibit. We were honored by having Sir Frederick and Lady Moore of Ireland as our guests at the Flower Show, and were pleased to have Sir Frederick, along with other horticultural authorities, address us at the Society's Flower Show luncheon, a subscription affair held at the Bellevue-Stratford Hotel, on March 15th.

"In April and May, the Society conducted four afternoons of Garden Visits. This year the series was entirely distinct from the Garden Days of the School of Horticulture, as the old arrangement between the two organizations was terminated by mutual consent. Members of the Society had the privilege of taking one or two friends with them.

"The summer months were, as usual, the least active of the year, the Library being the only activity which was carried on with practically no let-up of interest. Many members who were away had books mailed to them, and users of the Library who were at home enjoyed the books and magazines as much in the summer as in any other season. You are all aware of the great loss the Society has experienced in the death of Mrs. Horatio Gates Lloyd, and this loss is particularly severe on the Library, of whose committee Mrs. Lloyd was chairman for almost ten years. Mrs. J. Norman Henry, who is keenly interested in the Library and with whose reputation as a horticulturist and a botanist I am sure you are all familiar, has been appointed to succeed Mrs. Lloyd. Mrs. Henry has some interesting plans for the Library this winter, and you will hear about them before long. You have already received announcements that the Library will be open on Saturday afternoons during the winter months. The Tuesday evening hours have been given up as they met with little response from those who use the Library

and the Library will be open on Saturday afternoons to find out if these hours meet the needs of a larger number of members.

"Two Garden Visits and two Flower Shows have been held this Fall - the latter being the Dahlia Show presented in conjunction with the Bryn Mawr Horse Show in September, and the Hardy Chrysanthemum Show which was given three weeks ago in this building. Although the Dahlia Show was most gratifying as far as the flowers were concerned, the Committee is not satisfied with a tent show and has definitely decided against holding one next year.

"The Exhibition Committee, like the Library Committee, suffered the loss by death of their chairman, Mr. George L. Farnum, who was tremendously interested in the Flower Shows of the Society. Mr. J. V. Hare, who has been an active member of the committee for several years, will take Mr. Farnum's place as chairman.

"In October Certificates of Merit were awarded, upon the recommendation of the Committee on Garden Awards, to the owners of three unusually interesting suburban gardens, as follows: Mrs. Isaac LaBoiteaux, of Bryn Mawr; Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Cover, Jr., of Bryn Mawr; and Mr. and Mrs. Arthur H. Brockie, of Chestnut Hill.

"Mr. Rust will speak to you about his work as Garden Consultant later on this afternoon and I shall not mention this activity except to say that Mr. Rust will hold office consultation hours on Monday this winter, as he did last year, when you may consult him about your problems or make appointments with him to visit your garden on other week-days.

"We have been happy to co-operate with other horticultural organizations this year, as usual, and our rooms have been used for about seventy meetings by Executive Boards and Committees of various groups. Some of them are as follows: The Pennsylvania Forestry Association, the Council for Preservation of Natural Beauty in Pennsylvania, the Philadelphia Flower Show, the School of Horticulture for Women, and the Pennsylvania Wild Flower Society. One of the organizations, The Garden Club Federation of Pennsylvania, has recently rented quarters next-door to us in this building, and we are delighted to have them as neighbors.

"Our relations with the Massachusetts Horticultural Society and The Horticultural Society of New York have been most cordial, and again we have exchanged gold medals with them for award at exhibitions. We have also been on most friendly terms with the editorial staff of the periodical 'Horticulture,' and it is a source of gratification that we continue to include this worth-while gardening magazine among the privileges of membership.

"This report on account of the necessity of briefness has dealt only with the work of the past year. I wish at some such meeting there might be time to discuss with the members what the officers feel are the really important functions of a Society such as ours, and how these functions may best be carried out in the changing world in which we find ourselves. It is easy to have great ambitions for usefulness for ourselves but more more difficult from day to day to direct the work so that it can be useful to the greatest number of people. I am sure I speak for the other officers in wishing that our membership and

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resources were much larger so that we might double or triple the size of our Library, increase the number of our Flower Shows, greatly increase the number of our lectures and demonstrations and by these and other facilities really improve the horticulture of our city yards our small suburban gardens and the larger outlying estates.

"In the last fifteen years it has been my privilege to visit gardens in nearly every section of the country and very rarely do I visit a place that someone does not tell me that Philadelphia has the most beautiful suburbs of any city in America. I have heard this so often that I almost believe it. A drive through our Main Line district makes one believe that the saying is correct but other drives through less favored sections equally near the city puts one in a much more skeptical frame of mind and would convince anyone that great work needed to be done to make the eastern part of Pennsylvania and nearby New Jersey better sections in which to live.

"This Society in its long history has done much to encourage more beautiful and more studied planting but much more remains to be done. We are trying to do it but realize how small our efforts are compared with the great need. We hope our members will help us to be more adequate to do our duty in this respect."

The Secretary's report was followed by the special feature of the program, a series of interviews with experts in various phases of Horticulture, in which the following authorities took part: Mr. Herbert J. Fisher of the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture, who spoke on "Injurious Insects and Diseases," Mr. J. V. Hare, member of the Executive Council and secretary of the Trevoise Horticultural Society, whose subject was "Building a Horticultural Society," Mr. Edwin Matthews, vice-president of the Outdoor Arts Company and secretary of the Germantown Horticultural Society, whose talk dealt with "Shrubs on the Home Grounds," Dr. J. Horace McFarland, editor of The American Rose Society and former president, who told about "Care of Roses and New Varieties," and Mr. David Rust, gardening consultant of the Society, who discussed "General Gardening Problems."

There being no further business, the meeting, on motion, adjourned.

John C. Wister
Secretary.

Note - Ninety-seven persons were present.

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Those present were Mrs. J. Norman Henry, Mrs. Alvan Markle, Jr., Mrs. Thomas Newhall, Mrs. Arthur H. Scott, Mr. W. Atlee Burpee, Jr., Mr. Fairman R. Furness, Mr. J. V. Hare, Mr. Alex MacLeod, Dr. J. Horace McFarland, Mr. S. S. Pennock, Mr. William J. Serrill, Mr. C. F. C. Stout and Mr. John C. Wister.

Regrets were received from Mrs. William T. Elliott, Mr. F. E. Dixon, Mr. William Warner Harper, Mr. Thomas W. Sears, and Mr. W. Hinckle Smith.

The President welcomed Mrs. Markle to her first meeting.

The Secretary submitted office records for the month of November as follows: There were one hundred and one Library visitors, eighty-one general visitors, and eight meetings in the Council Room. Mr. Rust made two visits to gardens and gave advice to twelve members in the office. The first lecture of the series sponsored by the local branch of the National Association of Gardeners, with this Society's co-operation, was held on December 11th, with an attendance of fifty-eight.

Ten Annual Members were elected, upon motion of Mr. Pennock, making the total membership 3,367.

The Nominating Committee, composed of Mrs. Henry, Mr. Hare and Dr. McFarland, presented the following ballot of officers for 1935:

President - Mr. C. Frederick C. Stout; Vice Presidents - Mr. William J. Serrill and Mr. John C. Wister; Treasurer - Mr. S. S. Pennock; Secretary - Mr. John C. Wister. Upon motion of Mrs. Scott, the ticket was unanimously elected.

The President made the following brief report for 1934:

"FINANCES

"Each year the Finance Committee allots to each Committee Chairman the amount of money to be spent from the estimated income. In 1933 we had an estimated income of \$27,500. In 1934 this had shrunk to \$23,000., or a loss of \$4,500, this decrease being caused by smaller income from investments (mostly mortgages) in the Elizabeth Schaffer Trust Fund. It has, however, not been necessary to eliminate any of the privileges of the Society or to greatly curtail them. By the skillful handling of expenditures by the various Committee Chairmen we expect to finish the year without a deficit.

"LOSSES BY DEATH

"The Society lost thirty Annual Members and twelve Life and Honorary Members by death this year. Among the Life Members were two members of the Executive Council, Mr. George L. Farnum and Mrs. Horatio Gates Lloyd,

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and Mr. Louis Burk, a former Council member.

"Mr. Farnum was a member of the Executive Council for five years. He was an active exhibitor and Chairman of the Exhibition Committee. He was an authority on the Dahlia and had a wonderful collection in his garden, and was well known in the horticultural world, being a Vice President of the American Dahlia Society, a member-at-large of the Garden Club of America and an Honorary Member of the Four Counties Garden Club.

"Mrs. Lloyd became a member of the Executive Council in 1920, being one of the first three women elected. In 1930 she became the first woman Vice President of the Society. Her garden at Haverford, famous for its Iris Bowl, quarry rock garden and other features was often opened to the Society. Mrs. Lloyd had a keen knowledge of gardening literature and possessed a remarkable collection of old Herbals and other early gardening books. She served as Chairman of the Library Committee for ten years. She was one of the editors of the Bulletin of The Garden Club of America, first Vice President of that organization and a member of The Gardeners of Montgomery and Delaware County.

"Mr. Burk, who specialized in Orchids, was a valuable contributor at all of our exhibitions and served on the Executive Council for some five years.

"MEMBERSHIP

"We started this year with 3,547 members, have lost 597 members and gained 405, making a net loss of 192 members and a present paid-up membership of 3,355.

"A new Committee, composed of Mr. W. Atlee Burpee, Jr., and Mr. Jay V. Hare, has been appointed to devise ways and means of gaining new members.

"May I once again call to the attention of all of our members the importance of this Society growing in membership. We should have at least 5,000 members. Horticulture is such a tremendous subject that the knowledge embraced in its work runs into many scientific channels. The care and culture of plant life furnishes employment for millions of people. It has been the aim of the Council of the Society, in increasing its membership, to include those whose life work has been directed in these various channels of horticultural knowledge, to the end that the Society may become the medium through which this knowledge can be made available to a very large membership."

The Chairman of the Exhibition Committee, Mr. J. V. Hare, reported that plans for the Society's section of the Philadelphia Flower Show are progressing nicely. The schedule for the classes sponsored by the Society has been mailed to all members; the pruning exhibit and demonstration which the Philadelphia Branch of the National Gardeners Association is undertaking with the

co-operation of the Society are being developed; and Dr. E. D. Merrill, Director of the New York Botanical Garden, has agreed to send an exhibit of food plants of American and European origin which will be installed as a special feature. The Exhibition Committee is also arranging to display a comprehensive collection of rose slides which will rotate by means of an electrically operated machine.

Mr. Hare outlined, also, the ideas the Membership Committee has formulated in connection with a membership drive. He said the Committee would be glad to receive suggestions. As illustrating the valuable work the Society might do if it decided to try to extend its influence throughout the State, Dr. McFarland mentioned that although The Pennsylvania State College is amply provided with space for a rose planting and with facilities to care for such a planting, it lacks the necessary rose plants and has no funds with which to purchase them, and he thought it would be an excellent thing if the Society would undertake to furnish the plants for this worth-while purpose. Mr. Furness suggested that the Society might develop an exchange of plants or seeds, thereby increasing its usefulness to its members.

A report on the Powel House Garden was presented by Mrs. Newhall, Vice Chairman, who said that six hundred bulbs (tulips, daffodils, etc.) have been given to the garden by Mr. Burpee, and that Mr. Furness and Mr. Charles Willing have also contributed plant material as well as assisting with planning and planting the garden. In addition, Mrs. Newhall has collected cash donations of \$38.00 for the garden.

Dr. McFarland and Mr. Serrill reported on the question of the proposed transfer of the United States Forest Service to the Department of the Interior from the Department of Agriculture, and upon motion of Mrs. Newhall, it was

RESOLVED, That Dr. McFarland shall prepare a minute, stating the Society's opposition to the transfer of the United States Forest Service to the Department of the Interior from the Department of Agriculture, which minute shall be sent to The President, in Washington, and copies shall be sent to Secretary Wallace of the Department of Agriculture, and to Secretary Ickes of the Department of the Interior.

(After the meeting Dr. McFarland wrote the following minute which the Secretary has mailed according to instructions:

"The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society, an organization more than one hundred years old and including more than three thousand members, desires to be recorded as in opposition to any change in the existing relation of the Forest Service to the Federal departments. We respectfully urge the President, in whom, we are advised, lies the power to order transfers between departments, to retain Forestry in the Department of Agriculture and the Park Service in the Department of the Interior.")

As there was no further business, the meeting, upon motion, adjourned.

(Following the meeting a group photograph was taken of the Council members

John C. Wister
Secretary.

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The regular meeting of the EXECUTIVE COUNCIL of THE PENNSYLVANIA HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY was held in the rooms of the Society, 1600 Arch Street, on the above date. The President, Mr. C. Frederick C. Stout, was in the Chair.

Those present were: Mrs. William T. Elliott, Mrs. J. Norman Henry, Mrs. Alvan Markle, Jr., Mrs. Thomas Newhall, Mrs. Arthur H. Scott, Mr. Fairman R. Furness, Mr. J. V. Hare, Dr. J. Horace McFarland, Mr. Alex MacLeod, Mr. Thomas W. Sears, Mr. William J. Serrill, Mr. W. Hinckle Smith, Mr. C. F. C. Stout, and Mr. John C. Wister.

Regrets were received from Mr. W. Atlee Burpee, Jr., Mr. F. E. Dixon, Col. J. Franklin McFadden and Mr. S. S. Pennock.

The minutes of the meeting on December 19th were accepted as published and corrected.

The Secretary submitted office records for the month of December, as follows: There were seventy-three Library visitors and fifty-nine general visitors, and six meetings were held in the Council Room. Mr. Rust made three visits to gardens and gave advice to seven members in the office. The Secretary also reported figures for the year, 1934, as follows: There was a gain of 424 members and a loss of 608, making a net loss of 184, and a membership of 3363 as of December 31st. Mr. Rust made fifty-two visits during the year, gave seven lectures and judged fourteen flower shows. Seventy-six meetings were held in the rooms, and there were 1398 general visitors and 1272 visitors to the Library.

Twenty Annual Members were elected, making the total membership 3366.

The two vacancies in the Council were discussed and the name of Dr. John H. Fogg of the Botany Department of the University of Pennsylvania was added to the list of candidates. Members were asked to submit names of any other candidates at the next meeting.

The Chairmen of the Standing Committees reported that they had submitted budgets to the Finance Committee for consideration.

The President stated that the Finance Committee would meet soon to draw up a complete budget. He thought the 1935 income would be slightly under that of 1934.

Appointments to Committees for 1935 were submitted by the President, and are as follows:

COMMITTEES

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Mr. William J. Serrill, Chairman	Mr. W. Atlee Burpee, Jr.
Mr. Benjamin Bullock	Mr. J. V. Hare
Mr. John C. Wister	

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LIBRARY COMMITTEE

Mrs. J. Norman Henry, Chairman	Mrs. Nathan Hayward
Mrs. E. Page Allinson	Mrs. Alan H. Reed
Mrs. Edward M. Cheston	Mrs. Frank Graham Thomson

LECTURE COMMITTEE

Mrs. William T. Elliott, Chairman	Mr. John C. Wister
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FINANCE COMMITTEE

Mr. Fitz Eugene Dixon, Chairman	Mr. S. S. Pennock
Mr. W. Atlee Burpee, Jr.	Mr. W. Hinckle Smith

EXHIBITION COMMITTEE

Mr. J. V. Hare, Chairman	Mr. Robert Glendinning
Mr. W. Atlee Burpee, Jr.	Mrs. Otho E. Lane
Mrs. William T. Elliott	Mr. Alex MacLeod
Mr. Fairman R. Furness	Mrs. Arthur H. Scott

COMMITTEE ON GARDEN AWARDS

Mr. William J. Serrill, Chairman	Mrs. Benjamin Bullock
Mrs. Richard L. Barrows	Mrs. A. F. M. Chandler
Mrs. Moncure Biddle	Mrs. J. Thomas Liggett
Mrs. G. Ruhland Rebmman, Jr.	

GARDEN COMMITTEE

Mr. John C. Wister, Chairman	Mrs. Edward M. Cheston
Mrs. Benjamin Bullock	Mr. Thomas W. Sears
Dr. Rodney H. True	

Dr. McFarland told of the recent meeting of the Trevoise Horticultural Society. He commented particularly upon the enthusiasm of the members, and upon the large group of junior members which had been organized recently.

The death of Mr. William Warner Harper, which occurred on December 19th, was deplored, and the following resolution was read by the Secretary and unanimously adopted:

With deep sorrow the Executive Council of The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society records the death on Wednesday, December 18, 1934, of William Warner Harper, a member of the Council since January, 1933.

Mr. Harper was a true plant lover, and everything that grew green on the earth interested him. This spirit of love for the trees, the plants, the shrubs, found its high expression in the development of

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Andorra Nurseries at Chestnut Hill and further expression as he guided and to a certain extent controlled the Nursery at Towson, near Baltimore.

With this feeling of intense interest, and with his experience in the production for others of trees, plants and shrubs and the like, it was natural that Mr. Harper should actively identify himself with all movements of interest. He was a member of the Board of Managers of the Morris Arboretum of the University of Pennsylvania and a Trustee of Painter Arboretum. As a member of the Executive Board of the Philadelphia Flower Show, he contributed remarkably to the beauty of successive flower shows promoted under the sponsorship of The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society.

This expression of appreciation is an evidence of the esteem in which the Council of The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society held Mr. Harper and it is hereby resolved that this appreciation be spread upon the Minutes of the Council and that a copy be sent to Mrs. Harper.

Dr. McFarland suggested a plan to disseminate information about rare plants, shrubs, etc., by having the Council members who have unusual things, send in photographs of these with appropriate captions, from which lantern slides may be made and exhibited in connection with a lecture, or lectures. Mrs. Elliott, as Chairman of the Lecture Committee, said she would try to have such a collection assembled.

The matter of Garden Visits for 1935 was brought up by the Secretary, and upon motion of Mr. Serrill, it was voted to conduct an independent series in the same manner as last year.

The Secretary reported that Mrs. Derby, who has represented the Society for several years in the movement of "Flowers for the Flowerless", does not wish to continue this work. It was decided not to appoint another representative.

Mrs. Elliott suggested that the work of Mrs. Lloyd and Mr. Farnum should be recognized by the Society in some permanent manner, such as a medal or a tablet or plaque for the Library. The President appointed a committee composed of Mrs. Elliott, Mr. Hare and Mr. Sears to look into the subject and to make recommendations to the Council.

The Secretary reported that he had attended the Annual Meeting of The Horticultural Society of New York this month, and he read data of that Society comparing them with similar data of our own Society.

The Secretary also reported that the Daffodil Embargo, which has been in effect since 1912, will be lifted by the Government in December, 1936.

Dr. McFarland spoke of work that is being done with boys in the State Reformatory in Huntingdon. He also spoke of work along gardening lines among Delinquent Girls under the direction of Louise Klein Miller, of Cleveland, Ohio.

Dr. McFarland reported that the American Rose Society is to present

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roses to the President of Mexico as an evidence of international good will.

Mr. Furness stated that the late Mr. William Warner Harper was a trustee of Painter Arboretum. With his death the only real horticulturist on that Board was removed, and it was felt that it would be appropriate if Mr. Harper might be succeeded by another horticulturist. Mr. Serrill suggested that Mr. Furness would be a suitable person to take Mr. Harper's place if the trustees of Painter Arboretum desired to have a horticulturist from the Executive Council of this Society. Mr. Stout and Mr. Serrill were requested to make an appointment with Mr. Lewis Stevens, one of the trustees, to present the matter to him, with the thought that he may wish to pass the suggestion on to his Board.

As there was no further business, the meeting, on motion, adjourned.

John C. Winter

Secretary.

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The regular meeting of the EXECUTIVE COUNCIL of THE PENNSYLVANIA HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY was held in the rooms of the Society, 1600 Arch Street, on the above date. The President, Mr. C. Frederick C. Stout, was in the Chair.

Those present were: Mrs. William T. Elliott, Mrs. Arthur H. Scott, Mr. Jay V. Hare, Dr. J. Horace McFarland, Mr. S. S. Pennock, Mr. Thomas W. Sears, Mr. William J. Serrill, and Mr. C. F. C. Stout.

Regrets were received from Mrs. J. Norman Henry, Mr. W. Atlee Burpee, Jr., Mr. F. E. Dixon, Mr. Alex. MacLeod, Col. J. Franklin McFadden, Mr. W. Hinckle Smith, and Mr. John C. Wister.

The minutes of the meeting on January 16th were approved as published and distributed.

Office records for the month of January were read and accepted, as follows: There were 214 Library visitors and 129 general visitors, and nine meetings were held in the Council Room. Mr. Rust made two visits to gardens and had sixteen office conferences.

Nineteen Annual Members were elected, making the total membership 3356. Five Annual Members were transferred to Life Membership during the month.

The two vacancies on the Council were discussed, and Dr. McFarland proposed the names of three persons for the list of candidates. Two of these he thought would be desirable additions if the Society pursues a policy of extending its influence throughout the State. They are Mrs. Mary Flinn Lawrence, of Pittsburgh, and Mrs. Walter K. Sharpe, of Chambersburg, both outstanding women in gardening circles in their sections of Pennsylvania. The third candidate was Dr. E. I. Wilde, of the Horticultural Department of State College.

Before discussing the candidates further, Mr. Stout asked for action on the question as to whether the Society wishes to broaden its sphere by becoming a State Society in reality as well as in name, and upon motion of Mrs. Elliott, duly seconded, it was

RESOLVED, That the Society shall branch out into the State.

The three persons proposed by Dr. McFarland were added to the list of candidates, and the President said that if the Council shall elect in future these candidates or others with the statewide phase of the Society's activities in mind, he felt that a prospectus should be prepared for the guidance of such members. He was authorized to appoint a small committee for this purpose. (Since the meeting, Mr. Hare and Mr. Burpee have been appointed members, and Dr. McFarland, Chairman, of the committee.)

In discussing suitable candidates, the President mentioned the desirability of Dr. Rodney H. True. In addition to Dr. True's excellent personal

qualifications, it was felt that a closer connection with the University of Pennsylvania would be of great benefit in enabling the Society to draw upon the valuable scientific resources of the Botany Department of the University.

Upon motion of Mr. Serrill, duly seconded, Dr. Rodney H. True was unanimously elected a member of the Council.

It was pointed out that it would be necessary to increase the number of members on the Council if representatives from various sections of the State are to be elected, and upon motion of Mrs. Elliott, duly seconded, it was

RESOLVED, That the By-Laws of the Society be amended to increase the membership of the Council from twenty-one to thirty - the new places to be filled at intervals and not all at once.

The President read a letter from the Chairman of the Finance Committee, Mr. F. E. Dixon, in which was enclosed the budget for 1935. The President explained that the amount of the budget is very close to the estimated income for the year, and that it is important that each committee shall not only not exceed its appropriation but that it shall keep as far within it as possible. He said further that if by the middle of the year the income should fall short of the amount estimated, it might be necessary to cut appropriations somewhat for the remainder of the year. The budget was submitted as follows, and accepted, upon motion of Mr. Serrill, duly seconded, with Mr. Stout's recommendations:

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BUDGET FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR, 1935EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE - Mr. William J. Serrill, Chairman

Rent - (27/40 total)		\$ 3,375.00	
Salaries - Miss Gibbons	\$1,320.00		
Miss Root	<u>2,700.00</u>	4,020.00	
Insurance		100.00	
Postage		360.00	
Printing and Stationery		300.00	
Year Book		850.00	
Treasurer's Bond		25.00	
Water, towels, floors, etc.		125.00	
Telephone		170.00	
Miscellaneous		<u>585.00</u>	
TOTAL			\$ 9,910.00

LECTURE COMMITTEE - Mrs. William T. Elliott, Chairman 500.00 500.00

EXHIBITION COMMITTEE - Mr. Jay V. Hare, Chairman

Rent - (1/10 total)		500.00	
Salaries - Miss Samuel (1/6)	\$ 300.00		
Mr. Rust (1/3)	<u>1,000.00</u>	1,300.00	
Philadelphia Flower Show		1,950.00	
Dahlia Show		650.00	
Hardy Chrysanthemum Show		125.00	
New Equipment, Repairs, etc.		100.00	
Trophies for other Societies		<u>200.00</u>	
TOTAL			4,825.00

LIBRARY COMMITTEE - Mrs. J. Norman Henry, Chairman

Rent (9/40 total)	1,125.00		
Salary - Miss Samuel (5/6)	1,500.00		
Subscriptions to Periodicals	175.00		
New Books	250.00		
Binding	75.00		
Supplies, cleaning books, etc.	<u>50.00</u>		
TOTAL			3,175.00

GARDEN AWARDS - Mr. William J. Serrill, Chairman 50.00 50.00

COMMITTEE ON GARDEN CONSULTATION - Mr. John C. Wister, Chairman

Salary - Mr. Rust (2/3)	<u>2,000.00</u>	2,000.00	
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SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS

School of Horticulture - Gift	200.00		
Garden Visits	200.00		
"Horticulture"	2,800.00		
Membership Campaign	500.00		
Powel House Garden - Gift	<u>25.00</u>		
TOTAL			3,725.00

GRAND TOTAL \$ 24,185.00

Plus Depreciation 1,363.51

TOTAL \$ 25,548.51

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In the absence of Mrs. Henry, Chairman of the Dinner Committee, Mrs. Elliott, a member of the Committee, reported the following developments: Dr. Lee A. Strong, Chief of the Bureau of Entomology and Plant Quarantine of the Department of Agriculture in Washington, will be the guest of honor and will make an address. March 26th has been selected as the date, the place will probably be the Penn Athletic Club, and the hour will be six-thirty, with informal dress specified. The dinner will be a subscription affair to which all the members will be invited, and the price will be \$2.00.

The Chairman of the Exhibition Committee, Mr. Hare, reported satisfactory progress in preparations for the Philadelphia Flower Show, and stated that he would soon call a meeting to discuss plans for the Annual Dahlia Show.

In connection with the Philadelphia Flower Show, Mr. Sears told the Council that a few pieces of sculpture will be exhibited this year at the request of Mr. Charles L. Borie, Jr., and Dr. R. Tait McKenzie of the Art Alliance. The statuary will be placed in such a way as to enhance the beauty of the Flower Show. Mr. Stout reported that the President of the Philadelphia Flower Show, Mr. E. J. Fancourt, had written him in regard to appealing to local newspaper editors for better publicity for the Show this year, and he received permission to appoint a committee to consider ways of handling this matter. (The following committee has since been appointed: Mr. J. V. Hare, Chairman, Mr. W. Atlee Burpee, Jr., Mr. Thomas W. Sears, Mr. E. J. Fancourt, Mr. Fred Michell, Jr., Mr. Charles L. Borie, Jr., and Dr. R. Tait McKenzie.)

Mrs. Elliott, Chairman of the Lecture Committee, told the Council of Dr. McFarland's kind co-operation with the Committee in not accepting a fee for his recent lecture before the Society on "Roses and Other Posies". A vote of thanks was given to Dr. McFarland for his generous contribution to the Society's activities. The following attendance was reported for the lectures presented so far this season:

January 15 - Dr. J. Horace McFarland	182
January 19 - Dr. Edgar T. Wherry	85
February 5 - Mr. Frank A. Schrepfer	132
February 19 - Dr. Rodney H. True	73
(March 5 - Mr. David Rust	154)

A letter from Mr. J. Franklin McFadden was reported, in which he offered to open his garden to the Society early in May. After expressing appreciation of the offer, the President turned the letter over to the Secretary for further action.

In response to a request from Mrs. W. Nelson Mayhew that a representative of the Society be appointed to assist in plans for the spring flower planting on the drive in Fairmount Park, the President appointed Mr. David Rust to serve on the committee.

The President reported that a representative of the magazine "House & Garden" had asked permission to make an announcement at one of the Society's

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lectures, offering a reduction of the annual subscription price from \$3.00 to \$1.50 if twenty-five members wish to take advantage of the offer. The Council decided that it was not advisable to establish the precedent of introducing commercial projects at lectures of the Society.

There being no further business, the meeting, on motion, adjourned.

Fannie A. Root

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Secretary of the Meeting

F. Frederick C. Stout

F. FREDERICK C. STOUT
President.

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Those present were: Mrs. J. Norman Henry, Mr. Morris R. Bockius, Mr. J. V. Hare, Dr. J. Horace McFarland, Mr. Alex MacLeod, Mr. William J. Serrill, Mr. W. Hinckle Smith, Mr. C. Frederick C. Stout, and Dr. Rodney H. True. Dr. True was welcomed to his first meeting by the President.

Regrets were received from Mrs. William T. Elliott, Mrs. Thomas Newhall, Jr., Mrs. Arthur H. Scott, Mr. W. Atlee Burpee, Jr., Mr. F. E. Dixon, Mr. Fairman R. Furness, Mr. J. Franklin McFadden, Mr. S. S. Pennock, and Mr. John C. Wister.

The minutes of the meeting on February 20th were approved as published and distributed.

Office records for the month of February were accepted as follows: Library visitors, 156; General visitors, 104; Meetings, 7; Mr. Rust, 13 office conferences.

Eighty-six Annual Members were elected, making the total membership 3403. The large number of new members was due to a membership drive under the direction of the new Committee on Membership, composed of Mr. Burpee and Mr. Hare. The drive was largely among garden club members, and was made possible through the generous co-operation of the Garden Club Federation of Pennsylvania who permitted the "office" to borrow their file of over four thousand names. Many of the new members were from various parts of the State, which was especially gratifying. It was noted that four previous members had transferred from Annual to Life Membership.

The Chairman of the Exhibition Committee, Mr. Hare, reported that plans for the Society's part in the Philadelphia Flower Show (March 25 - 30) were proceeding smoothly. Mr. Hare also reported as Chairman of the newly formed Publicity Committee for the Show. He stated that although there was very little time for the Committee to function this year, two meetings had been held and considerable work had been done among Philadelphia newspaper owners and editors. The results may not be apparent this year but the Committee felt that at least the way had been paved for future educational work along this line.

Mrs. J. Norman Henry, Chairman, reported that three guests have been asked to speak at the Dinner on March 26th, and that the President will also make an address and will introduce the speakers. Dr. Lee A. Strong, the guest of honor, will speak on Plant Importations; Mr. Hansell J. French, Pennsylvania State Secretary of Agriculture, will tell of the work of his Department and will also represent Governor Earle; and Mrs. Mortimer J. Fox, of New York, will make an informal address on her gardening experiences. Mrs. Henry stated that there have been 100 acceptances to the dinner to date.

Amendments to the By-Laws to increase the number of Council members in accordance with the motion at the February meeting were discussed, and the

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President asked Mr. Serrill to prepare proper amendments to send out with the notices for the April meeting so that they may be acted upon at that meeting.

A letter from the Delaware Valley Protective Association was reported, urging the Society to lend its efforts to the movement to repair and preserve the Delaware Canal. It was voted that a suitable resolution should be prepared and sent to the Governor of the State; and upon the request of the President, Mr. Hare drew up the following resolution which has been sent to Governor Earle:

"WHEREAS, through the breaking of the aqueduct at Point Pleasant, Pennsylvania, in the Lehigh Canal, which is a part of the Roosevelt State Park and under the control of the Department of Forests and Waters of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, the flow of water in the Canal has ceased for a distance of some ten miles between Point Pleasant and New Hope; and

"WHEREAS, no appropriation or fund appears to exist for the repair of this damage or for the normal filling of the Canal with water; therefore,

"BE IT RESOLVED, That The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society, which is deeply interested in this situation through its extensive membership in Bucks County and other counties of the State of Pennsylvania, is apprehensive that much of the beauty of that scenic region and the prestige which the region enjoys will be lost unless immediate steps are taken by the Commonwealth for the appropriation or allocation of funds to promptly and permanently repair the said aqueduct and provide a proper flow of water through the Canal."

Upon the request of the President, Dr. True told the Council of the interesting exhibit which will be staged by the Morris Arboretum at the Philadelphia Flower Show in the section devoted to the Society.

Mr. Hare invited the members of the Council to attend the regular monthly meeting of the Trevoise Horticultural Society on Tuesday evening, May 21st, and stated that Mrs. Hare and he would be very happy to have the members dine with them before the meeting. He added that a more formal invitation would be extended later but that he hoped the members would keep the date in mind.

As there was no further business, the meeting, on motion, adjourned.

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Secretary of the meeting.

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President.

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Regrets were received from Mrs. Arthur H. Scott, Mr. Thomas W. Sears and Mr. W. Hinckle Smith.

The minutes of the meeting on March 20th were approved as published and distributed.

The Secretary reported office records for the month of March as follows: Library visitors, 179; General visitors, 392 (majority to purchase Flower Show tickets); Meetings, 8; Mr. Rust, 5 visits to gardens and 5 office conferences. The Secretary classified the 213 new members enrolled this year as follows: 68 Annual Members and 1 Life Member were acquired from sending invitations to 4,050 members of the Garden Club Federation - return of 1.7 per-cent; 91 Annual Members were secured from a list of 226 persons proposed by old members - return of 40 per-cent; 25 members were credited to the Philadelphia Flower Show; and 20 members could not be classified. Fifteen Life Members were reported as having transferred from Annual to Life Membership since January 1st, in response to letters sent to members with their bills for annual dues.

Ninety members (included in the total of 213 new members reported above) were elected upon motion of Mr. Pennock, bringing the total membership to 3468.

Amendments to the By-Laws to permit the Executive Council to increase its membership to thirty, but not more than thirty, were adopted upon motion of Dr. McFarland. The amendments were effected by making the following changes:

ARTICLE VI.

Paragraph 1, amended by cancelling the first sentence reading:- "The Executive Council shall consist of twenty-one members," and by substituting therefor the following:- "The Executive Council shall consist of not exceeding thirty members."

Paragraph 2, amended by adding thereto the following sentence:- "The terms of members of the Executive Council shall be for three years or until their successors shall be elected."

ARTICLE VII.

Paragraph 1, amended by cancelling the last sentence reading:- "At each Annual Meeting there shall be elected seven members of the Executive Council to serve for three years, and at such Annual Meeting any vacancy in the Executive Council shall be filled by the election of a member to

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serve the unexpired term," and by substituting therefor the following:- "At each Annual Meeting the vacancies caused by the expiration of the terms of members of the Executive Council shall be filled by election, and any other vacancies which may exist shall be filled by the election of members for the respective unexpired terms."

Paragraph 2, amended by cancelling said paragraph.

Paragraph 3, amended by numbering it paragraph 2.

The Chairman of the Special Committee on Extending Membership throughout the State, Dr. J. Horace McFarland, submitted the following report in which Mr. Hare and Mr. Serrill, the other members of the Committee who were present, concurred.

TO THE COUNCIL OF
THE PENNSYLVANIA HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

At the Council meeting of February 20th last, a motion made by Mrs. Elliott was carried as follows: "Resolved that the Society shall branch out into the state."

The President was authorized to appoint a small committee for considering "the state-wide phase of the Society's activities", and he did so appoint with J. Horace McFarland as chairman, Messrs. J. V. Hare, William J. Serrill and W. Atlee Burpee to constitute this committee.

The committee thus constituted has had consultation by correspondence, and on March 26th met by appointment at 2 P.M., in the Society's rooms with President Stout in attendance. Further discussion of the aims in mind resulted in the agreement that there should be submitted to the next meeting of the Council, in the hope that there might be prompt action, the following suggestions:

1.. It is realized that the membership of the Pennsylvania Horticultural Society has been predominantly obtained in and about Philadelphia and is not state-wide. That there is, however, a disposition to work with the Society from the state in general was shown in the election to membership of some 19 applicants at the meeting of March 20th, from various locations in the state, together with a considerable widening of the Philadelphia radius, all to the effect that fully thirty per cent of those thus elected to membership do not immediately relate to Philadelphia.

2. It was agreed that merely to offer membership throughout the state, without also offering a valuable upbuilding horticultural service, would not be permanently worth while.

It was further agreed that in accord with the high objects of the Society, manifested frequently and considerably during its 108 years of existence, it should now endeavor to provide help for the rapidly growing garden fraternity throughout the state, adding from time to time to its membership those who find this service worth while and who might themselves

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give valuable assistance to others in the Horticultural fold.

3. It was considered that in the Philadelphia headquarters, with its admirable library and meeting rooms, and with the opportunity to arrange for consultations on garden subjects provided through the retention on the staff of the Society of David Rust, there could be coupled other services which would lead to large horticultural betterment in various sections of the state. This led to the feeling that there might come to exist divisions in various parts of the state. As for example, in Pittsburgh, in the vicinity of Scranton, in the vicinity of Harrisburg, and in other locations in which our own existing membership might provide the nucleus for gatherings, garden visits, discussions, meetings, shows and the other relations which would bring about the desired extension of horticultural influence in the state. In this connection it was realized that a particularly excellent opportunity existed in connection with the Pennsylvania State College, of which the Professor of Ornamental Horticulture was elected to membership last month and through which, with proper cultivation, larger influences could be set going toward making Pennsylvania truly a garden state.

4. It was further realized that with the assistance of the various excellent garden clubs, represented both individually and in state organization on this Council, there might be relations that could be mutually helpful. To bring about these relations to cement the growing interest it was recognized that persistent and orderly work was requisite. The Committee felt that members of the Council could not be expected to give primary effect to this important disposition in the obvious opportunity, but that it needed to be the work of a person employed for the purpose who could adequately represent the Pennsylvania Horticultural Society in organization and service from time to time as opportunity presented itself throughout the state.

5. It was believed that the Society could come to the gathering and publishing of garden experiences and of experiences with plants and garden necessities had by its members, in a series of leaflets, somewhat equivalent to those formerly issued by the Arnold Arboretum of Boston, and those constantly produced in a rather elaborate form by the Royal Horticultural Society of England. It was also recognized that our fellow organization, the Horticultural Society of the State of New York was issuing bulletins somewhat frequently relating to matters of plant nurture and garden value. It was likewise recognized that the Society had begun to do educational work long ago and that evidences of this activity were particularly apparent at the Flower Show, March 25 to 30, in the admirable presentation arranged for us and by the New York Botanical Garden under Dr. Merrill; by the Morris Arboretum close to us, and in the series of lantern slides exhibited during the Show as illustrating the origin and growth of rose plants. It seemed, therefore, wise to the Committee to take under consideration the provisions either of written lectures on various phases of garden work, or of carefully selected sets of lantern slides, or both, as occasion might require, these becoming valuable circulatory features of our present excellent library.

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It was realized that with the contacts possible through this Council, very many other subjects of true garden interest and of cooperation with existing garden organizations might be studied and applied as it became practicable. There was also a settled feeling that there must be no interference or competition with existing effective garden organizations, such as the many clubs above mentioned, but instead an offer of the completest cooperation with these organizations through the representative above mentioned.

6. It was recommended that a representative be secured to work on behalf of the Society in the fashion above suggested for an experimental period of three months. The representative might go to various centers, to be determined by consultation of the membership, and get together members of the Society and institute the work above outlined and such as could be determined by officers of the Society or committees to be appointed to control that work.

7. For the purpose of carrying out these objects, it is suggested that from the reserve funds of the Society one thousand dollars (\$1,000) be made available to its officers for this purpose, in the belief that if the work should prove successful, it will probably tend to support itself later through increased memberships, though your committee insists that the getting of members is not the primary purpose of this proposition.

A discussion of the project followed, and Mr. Bockius asked Dr. McFarland whether he could state more specifically the services which the Society could offer to the new groups or chapters which the Committee hopes to organize. Dr. McFarland replied that these services will depend entirely on future developments and cannot be foreseen. However, he mentioned leaflets or bulletins, lantern slides with proper text which might be lent to chapters, and the circulating privilege of the Library as among useful privileges which could be extended. Dr. McFarland stated that Dr. E. I. Wilde, of the horticultural staff of Pennsylvania State College, is very favorably impressed with the plan and has offered his assistance if the cooperation of Dr. Hetzel, president of the college, can be secured.

There were many favorable comments on the report, and it was voted that the sum of \$1,000.00 be put at the disposal of the Committee to cover the necessary expenses of putting the plan into operation. The President congratulated the Chairman upon his efforts and asked how many of the Council members would be willing to attend meetings of the Committee and to go to Scranton or other places in the State if the Chairman called upon them to do so. Mrs. Henry and Mrs. Markle volunteered to help in such ways.

Upon motion of Mr. Bockius, seconded by Mrs. Elliott, a vote of thanks was extended to the Committee for the carefully prepared, and interesting report which was presented by the Chairman.

The Chairman of the Exhibition Committee, Mr. Hare, reported that his Committee considered the Society's part in the Philadelphia Flower Show most creditable. Mrs. Lane performed her duties as Chairman of the classes sponsored by the Society admirably, the exhibit of the Philadelphia Branch of the National Gardeners

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Association was attractive and educational, the exhibit lent by the New York Botanical Garden, which showed the foods of the world and their sources, was interesting and novel, and the rose slides, with educational lecture, which showed continuously during the Show attracted much favorable attention. Mr. Sears' beautiful design of the central portion of the Show received unanimous praise, and upon motion of Mrs. Henry a vote of thanks and appreciation was extended to Mr. Sears for his splendid work. A vote of thanks was also given to Mrs. Lane for her efforts in directing the classes.

The Chairman of the Dinner Committee, Mrs. J. Norman Henry, reported that the Society's dinner at the Penn Athletic Club on March 26th was attended by 152 persons, thirteen of whom were specially invited guests. The guest of honor, Dr. Lee A. Strong, made a timely and interesting address on "The Biological Aspects of Quarantine No. 37", and other guests addressed the Society in an entertaining and informal manner. The subscriptions amounted to \$288.00 and the expenses to \$323.75, leaving a deficit of \$35.75 which the Chairman of the Executive Committee, Mr. Serri said his committee could absorb. Mrs. Henry asked for an allowance in the budget next year to take care of miscellaneous expenses, so that the subscription price can be made as low as possible. She believed that luncheons should be the general rule with a dinner possibly every third year.

Dr. J. Horace McFarland placed Mr. E. I. Wilde's name in nomination for the Executive Council, and the President said the nomination would be acted upon at the May meeting.

Mrs. Thomas Newhall, as the Society's representative of the Pennsylvania Co-operating Conservation Council, reported that there had been a meeting of the Council on February 13th, and that the minutes would be on file in the Society's office where they could be examined at any time.

Mrs. Newhall also reported as Vice Chairman of the Committee on the Powell House Garden. She said that the garden is greatly improved and is now most attractive owing to the addition of 600 bulbs, the gift of Mr. Burpee; a Magnolia tree and Holly tree donated by Mr. Furness; and a sun dial given by the Soroptimist Club.

Mrs. William T. Elliott, Chairman, spoke of the difficulties of the Lecture Committee in securing a program which will appeal to members. She said that last winter the amount of \$450. was expended for five lectures at which there was an attendance of 677, making the cost of the lectures 71¢ for each person who attended. Mr. Hare suggested that lectures on popular subjects, such as Flower Arrangements, attracted interest, but Mrs. Elliott felt that the lectures should not be entertaining primarily but should express the educational side of the Society's work. Dr. McFarland said he thought a ground-floor location would draw more people. Mrs. Elliott asked the members to think about the subject with the idea of making further suggestions at a later meeting.

The Secretary, Mr. Wister, said that he felt Dr. Strong should be upheld in his honest attitude toward the removal of Plant Quarantines, especially as the commercial bulb-growing interests are opposing him strenuously, and he suggested that a resolution be sent to Secretary Wallace endorsing the policy of the Department of Agriculture with the thought that such endorsement would be helpful to Dr. Strong. The Secretary also suggested that letters be written to the New York and

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Massachusetts Societies urging them to take similar action.

The Secretary was instructed to send the following resolution to Secretary Wallace, and to write the Secretaries of the New York and Massachusetts Societies in line with his suggestion.

WHEREAS, the members of the Executive Council of The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society were gratified at the presentation of the policy of the Bureau of Plant Quarantine as outlined by Dr. Lee A. Strong in his address before the Society on March 26th and later published in the "Florists Exchange" of April 13th (page 11), and

WHEREAS, this Society wishes once more to place itself on record as favoring all just and reasonable scientific quarantines and as opposing quarantines imposed nominally against plant pests that, for commercial reasons, act as a protection against competition; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Society endorses the present attitude of the administration and begs the Secretary of Agriculture to adhere to this policy which has already been attacked by commercial interests who desire to use the plant quarantine as a tariff.

A letter from the United States Department of Agriculture was reported by the Secretary, which stated that the Administration does not contemplate transferring the Forest Service from the Department of Agriculture.

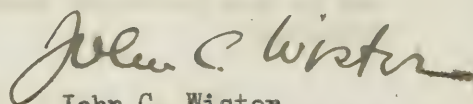
The Secretary announced that Miss Gibbons of the office force is to be married on April 20th, but will continue with the Society. In view of the nine years Miss Gibbons has been with the Society, it was voted that a wedding gift of \$50.00 be presented to her with the best wishes of the Executive Council.

The President asked Mrs. Elliott and Mrs. Henry to be the Society's delegates at the Annual Meeting of the Garden Club Federation on May 13, 14 and 15, and they accepted the appointment.

As there was no further business, the meeting on motion, adjourned.



C. Frederick C. Stout
President.



John C. Wister
Secretary.

May 15, 1935.

The regular meeting of the EXECUTIVE COUNCIL of THE PENNSYLVANIA HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY was held in the rooms of the Society, 1600 Arch Street, on the above date. The President, Mr. C. Frederick C. Stout, was in the Chair.

Those present were: Mrs. William T. Elliott, Mr. W. Atlee Burpee, Jr., Mr. J. V. Hare, Dr. J. Horace McFarland, Mr. Alex MacLeod, Mr. S. S. Pennock, Mr. William J. Serrill and Mr. C. F. C. Stout.

Regrets were received from Mrs. J. Norman Henry, Mrs. Alvan Markle, Jr., Mrs. Thomas Newhall, Mrs. Arthur H. Scott, Mr. Fairman R. Furness, Mr. J. Franklin McFadden, Mr. Thomas W. Sears, Mr. W. Hinckle Smith, Dr. Rodney H. True and Mr. John C. Wister.

The minutes of the meeting on April 17th were approved as published and distributed.

Office records for the month of April were reported as follows: library visitors, 107; general visitors, 51; meetings, 8; Mr. Rust, 13 visits to gardens and 18 office conferences. The attendance at the "Garden Visits" to date was reported. (Attendance figures for the entire series will be presented at the September meeting.)

Letters were reported from the Massachusetts and New York Horticultural Societies, endorsing Dr. Strong's attitude toward the removal of Plant Quarantines, in reply to the Council's request for co-operation in supporting Dr. Strong.

Forty-two Annual Members were elected, making the total membership 3477. It was noted that two Annual Members had transferred to Life Membership during the past month.

The ten existing vacancies in the Council, due to amendments to By-Laws at the last meeting which increased the Council to thirty members, were discussed, and the President stated that although these places may be filled at any time he thought the majority of the Council members would prefer to make elections slowly in order to find the best candidates available.

Professor E. I. Wilde, of the Pennsylvania State College, who was nominated at the April meeting of the Council, was unanimously elected a member, upon motion of Mrs. Elliott. Professor Wilde was in the rooms at the time, having attended a meeting of Dr. McFarland's Committee just before the Council meeting, and he was therefore invited to come into the meeting and was welcomed by the Council.

Dr. J. Horace McFarland, Chairman, reported for the Committee on Extending the Membership of the Society. He said that the Committee had been very fortunate in gaining the co-operation of The Pennsylvania State College in the movement, and that they were particularly pleased to secure Professor Wilde of the Horticultural Department of the College as a member of the Committee. Dr. McFarland stated that the first steps in formulating plans for a "chapter" of the Society had been taken just before the Council meeting, when he and Professor Wilde held a conference with Mrs. Frank Adams Keen, president of the West Chester Garden Club, who expressed the opinion that such an affiliation in the West Chester region might be effected to good advantage at this time.

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Dr. McFarland spoke of the desirability of a public rose garden in Fairmount Park and mentioned the attractive rock garden which has been established recently in the Park near the east end of the Girard Avenue Bridge not far from the East River Drive. Mrs. Elliott said that the rock garden had been developed through the generosity of public-spirited citizens, and that Mrs. Robert Glendinning had contributed many of the plants and had given a great deal of time and energy to planting them. The Council agreed with Dr. McFarland that a rose garden in the Park would be very desirable, but agreed also that the Society could not be responsible for such an undertaking.

The problem of placing young men students at the State College in self-supporting positions through the summer months was mentioned by Dr. McFarland, who suggested that it would be very helpful if gardening work, under proper supervision, could be found for them. By such a plan, board and lodgings would be secured to the students even though cash salaries were not available. In connection with gardeners, it was suggested that the Society could perform a useful service by keeping a list of experienced gardeners on file who could be recommended to members, applying for experienced help. The President stated that such a bureau would act as sort of a clearing-house, and asked Mr. MacLeod for his opinion of the practicability of the plan. Mr. MacLeod said he thought it could be made to work. Upon motion of Mrs. Elliott, the President was authorized to appoint a committee of three to consider the matter.

Returning to the activities of the Committee on Extending the Membership the value of lantern slides, accompanied by written lectures, was emphasized as being one of the important services the Society could render to the groups or "chapters" under consideration. Dr. McFarland said that the Committee had discussed this matter at its meeting, and that it had been suggested that Mr. Burpee prepare a collection of slides, with text, on Annuals; Professor Wilde a collection showing Shrubs; Mr. Hare a collection on "All Year Around in the Garden", and he, himself, some other suitable collection. The President said the success of the Committee's work would depend on the quality of leadership and the support the movement received here in Philadelphia, and added that he thought it important for the Committee to find out just how many of the services the Society offers to local members could be made available throughout the State so that these services may be used as talking points.

Mr. J. V. Hare, Chairman, reported for the Exhibition Committee. He spoke of the difficulties the Committee had experienced in trying to find a suitable exhibition hall for the Dahlia Show this coming fall, and said that the Committee had decided to recommend to the Council the acceptance of the invitation extended by the Pennsylvania Museum of Art, on the Parkway, to use an unfinished wing of that building. The Council approved the Committee's recommendation.

Mrs. William T. Elliott, delegate to the Annual Meeting of the Garden Club Federation of Pennsylvania, reported that she had attended the business meeting on May 13th, and that Mrs. J. V. Hare was re-elected president for another year. The second day of the Annual Meeting was devoted to a visit to Morris Arboretum, Bowman's Hill, the new State Wild Flower Preserve at Washington's Crossing, and the garden of Mrs. William R. Mercer at Doylestown.

The program for the Society's Annual Meeting in November was discussed and it was decided, upon the suggestion of Mrs. Elliott, to have an exhibit of

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Christmas greens, holiday table decorations and gardeners' gadgets in connection with the meeting.

A letter from the Pennsylvania Forestry Association, asking the Society to further passage of House Resolution 6914 to provide Federal aid to States in acquiring state forests was submitted, and upon motion of Mr. Burpee, it was voted that letters of endorsement of this policy should be sent to the proper representatives and Senators in Washington.

A request from a member of the Council that the Society do something at this time to try to check the tent caterpillar was reported, but it was decided that it was too late in the season to attempt anything as the caterpillars are already leaving their tents.

Dr. McFarland told the Council that he had attended a public hearing of the Billboard Bill (Senate Bill 707) in Harrisburg the previous evening, and that Mrs. John W. Lawrence who presented the case in support of the Bill for the garden clubs, made an excellent impression.

As there was no further business, the meeting, on motion adjourned.

Fannie A. Root

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Secretary of the Meeting

C. Frederick C. Stout

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President

September 25, 1935.

The regular meeting of the EXECUTIVE COUNCIL of THE PENNSYLVANIA HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY was held in the rooms of the Society, 1600 Arch Street, on September 25, 1935. The President, Mr. C. Frederick C. Stout, was in the Chair.

Those present were: Mrs. Thomas Newhall, Mr. Fairman R. Furness, Mr. J. V. Hare, Mr. J. Franklin McFadden, Dr. J. Horace McFarland, Mr. S. S. Pennock, Mr. William J. Serrill, Mr. W. Hinckle Smith, Mr. C. F. C. Stout and Professor E. I. Wilde.

Regrets were received from Mrs. William T. Elliott, Mrs. J. Norman Henry, Mrs. Alvan Markle, Jr., Mr. W. Atlee Burpee, Jr., Mr. F. E. Dixon, Mr. Alex. MacLeod, Mr. Thomas W. Sears, Dr. Rodney H. True and Mr. John C. Wister.

The minutes of the meeting of May 15th were approved as published and distributed.

The Secretary's report was submitted and accepted as follows: Office records for the last four months - Library visitors, 289; general visitors, 195; meetings, 9; Mr. Rust made 34 visits to gardens, held 36 office conferences and served as judge at 5 flower shows. 1935 "Garden Visits" - Seventeen gardens were visited on five afternoons (four Saturdays and one Tuesday) in April and May. Using as a basis the largest attendance at any one garden on each afternoon and taking the total for the five afternoons (the system used by the School of Horticulture when joint Garden Days were in effect), the attendance was 1921; but on the basis of the total attendance at the seventeen gardens, the visitors numbered 6024, about half of whom were members and the other half their friends whom they were permitted to take with them.

Thirty-seven Annual Members were elected, making the total membership 3367. It was announced that two Annual Members had transferred to Life Membership since the last meeting.

Mr. J. V. Hare, Chairman of the Exhibition Committee, reported that the original plan to hold the Annual Dahlia Show at the Art Museum on the Parkway had to be cancelled on account of the uncertainty of securing the necessary space, but that a successful Show was held on September 20 and 21, in Norristown, in co-operation with the Norristown Garden Club. The attendance was good, particularly in the evenings, there were more entries than last year, and the quality of flowers was high. The Chairman added that the Committee expected to keep the expenses well within the appropriation for the Show.

Professor E. I. Wilde, field member of Dr. McFarland's Committee on Extending the Membership, submitted a report of his activities during August, a summary of which is as follows:

First, a list of Pennsylvania garden clubs was compiled and the clubs were grouped as to county in alphabetical order. Most of the clubs were members of the State Federation of Pennsylvania Women, the Garden Club Federation of Pennsylvania or the Woman's National Farm and Garden Association. From the cities reported in the list, centers

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were chosen for regional and county meetings, and a proposed itinerary arranged to include the following places: Johnstown, Indiana, Scranton and Moscow, Wilkes-Barre and Plymouth, DuBois, Erie, Meadville, and the Garden Center in Schenley Park, Pittsburgh. To each of these meetings, delegates from neighboring counties were to be invited.

This exact itinerary could not be worked out, however, due first to the fact that many of the appointed chairmen in the different sections felt the responsibility was too great, and second and more important, because so many active club members were away from home for summer vacations in August and therefore the field representative decided to discontinue meetings during that month. Nevertheless, he felt that the groundwork had been laid and that valuable contacts had been made with sixty-three garden club workers. These persons seemed to feel the movement had potential value although they were a bit skeptical at first.

His suggestions to the groups were that they extend the scope of their activities so as to come into more intimate contact with the small gardener, and wherever possible to develop garden centers similar to those in Pittsburgh and Philadelphia. After the plan of co-ordinating the efforts of various garden clubs in a county was presented to the groups, the members saw the value of forming skeleton horticultural organizations made up of representatives of these clubs.

The following tabulation represents the results of the field secretary's efforts:

Somerset and Cambria Counties plan to hold a meeting to discuss the matter of forming a county horticultural society, due largely to the efforts of Mrs. George J. Krebs, of Somerset, and Mrs. C. A. Geer, of Johnstown. In Indiana County no action was taken, although there seemed to be interest in the project of holding a country meeting of gardeners at least once a year. Scranton is already well organized and is reaching the small gardeners through the garden section of the civic club, but the members seemed convinced that even greater advances could be made in Lackawanna County through co-operation. No meeting was held in Luzerne County because of the failure of the appointed chairman, but the field representative visited garden club workers in the towns of Plymouth and Wyoming in Luzerne County and believes that progress can be made eventually. Due to lack of enthusiasm, meetings in Erie and DuBois did not materialize. An enthusiastic meeting was held in Meadville attended also by representatives from Oil City. Another enthusiastic group of garden club members attended a meeting at the Pittsburgh Garden Center in Schenley Park, Pittsburgh. Invitations were sent to clubs in all counties within a radius of sixty miles. Three club members in Pittsburgh have expressed a desire to start a unit or section of The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society there, and the field secretary recommends that this desire be carefully noted by the Executive Council and some action taken on it. The Pittsburgh Garden Center is well organized and has the hearty support of garden clubs.

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The report concluded with a list of sixty-three garden club members with whom the field secretary has established contacts in organizing his work.

The President thanked Professor Wilde for the work he has done, and for his comprehensive report, which was accepted and ordered filed. A general discussion of the state-wide project followed, and many criticisms and suggestions were made. Dr. McFarland spoke of the desirability of securing the co-operation of some of the officials in the State Department of Agriculture, and mentioned particularly Mr. J. Hansell French, Secretary of the Department. He said he would like to acquaint Mr. French with the Society's state-wide project, as Mr. French had seemed interested in the work of the Society when he spoke at the dinner during Flower Show week. The President gave his approval to this suggestion.

Dr. McFarland said also that there were two definite questions which he thought should be considered in connection with the new project - (1) Can a club become a member of the Society? (2) What services can the Society offer chapters? No decision was reached on the first question, but Dr. McFarland explained the procedure of club membership in the American Rose Society. Several services were suggested in reply to the second question, including the following: Lectures; text of lectures, illustrated with lantern slides; help in organizing flower shows; suggestion that garden centers be established (such centers might be located in the local free library and gardening information dispensed at regular intervals); and last and perhaps most important, the chapters could be encouraged to hold meetings at which the exchange of ideas would prove most stimulating and valuable.

Mr. McFadden mentioned the possibility of chapters becoming a drain on the Society instead of a support, and cited an instance to illustrate the possibility. He also pointed out that before anything can be done further, some kind of outline of the Society's plan of procedure will be vitally necessary for the benefit of those who will be asked to assist in the work. Upon his motion, it was voted that a tentative manual to simplify the procedure be prepared by the Committee and submitted to the Executive Council at the next meeting.

The President reported receipt of a letter from "The Elizabeth Price Martin Fellowship", asking the Society as a member organization of the Fellowship to submit recommendations as to whether the Fund be continued as an open Memorial under a Trusteeship, or whether the amount already subscribed (something under \$6,000.00) be used for a definite object now, and if so, what object. After due consideration, upon motion of Mrs. Newhall, seconded by Dr. McFarland, it was voted to recommend,

"That the amount already subscribed be turned over to the Elizabeth Price Martin National Memorial Fund of The Garden Club of America, the object of which is very similar to that of the Fellowship. However, if it is desired to use the Fund locally, the Council offers as next choice that the principal of the Fund be invested and the income expended each year on the grounds of Strawberry Mansion, since at Strawberry Mansion are centered so many of those activities dear to Mrs. Martin's heart."

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The President requested Mrs. Newhall to continue to represent the Society at the meetings of the Fellowship.

The President announced that Mrs. Markle will represent the Society at the semi-annual meeting of the Garden Club Federation of Pennsylvania in Pittsburgh on October 9 and 10.

The President requested those members present of the Nominating Committee (composed according to the By-Laws of members of the Council who have more than one year but less than two years to serve) to remain after the Council meeting to nominate members of the Council for the next three years.

As there was no further business, the meeting, on motion, adjourned.

Fannie A. Root

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Secretary of the Meeting.

C. Frederick C. Stout

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President.

October 16, 1935.

The regular meeting of the EXECUTIVE COUNCIL of THE PENNSYLVANIA HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY was held in the rooms of the Society, 1600 Arch Street, on October 16, 1935, with the President, Mr. C. Frederick C. Stout, in the Chair.

Those present were: Mrs. William T. Elliott, Mrs. J. Norman Henry, Mrs. Alvan Markle, Jr., Mrs. Thomas Newhall, Mrs. Arthur H. Scott, Dr. J. Horace McFarland, Mr. S. S. Pennock, Mr. Thomas W. Sears, Mr. William J. Serrill, Mr. W. Hinckle Smith, Mr. C. F. C. Stout and Mr. John C. Wister.

Regrets were received from Mr. Morris R. Bockius, Mr. W. Atlee Burpee, Jr., Mr. F. E. Dixon, Mr. Fairman R. Furness, Mr. J. V. Hare, Mr. J. Franklin McFadden, Dr. Rodney H. True and Professor E. I. Wilde.

The minutes of the meeting of September 25th were approved as published and distributed.

Five Annual members were elected, upon motion of Mr. Pennock, making the total membership 3,260.

The President reported for the Nominating Committee that the following seven members of the Executive Council whose terms expire this year have been renominated to serve during the next three years: Mrs. Henry, Mr. Bockius, Mr. Burpee, Mr. McFadden, Mr. Hinckle Smith, Dr. True and Mr. Wister. Professor Wilde was nominated for two years - he was elected by the Council in May to fill Mr. Harper's unexpired term but his election must go through the regular channels.

Upon recommendation of Dr. McFarland, the name of Mrs. Walter King Sharpe was placed in nomination for the Executive Council, and will be acted upon at the November meeting. There are at present twenty-one members of the Council, but according to the recent change in the By-Laws, the number may be increased.

The Secretary presented the following office records for the month of September: There were sixty-three Library Visitors, fifty-two General Visitors and four Meetings in the Council Room. Mr. Rust judged seven flower shows, visited one garden and held eight office consultations. The membership has decreased considerably during the last month or two owing largely to the dropping of members whose dues have been delinquent since last Spring. The Secretary reported a small cash gift to the Society from a member, noteworthy because it is the first cash contribution in several years. He was instructed to thank the member on behalf of the Council.

In the absence of Mr. F. E. Dixon, Chairman of the Finance Committee, the President reported recommendations from the Committee as follows:

The Finance Committee recently recommended that certain funds of the Society in the Life Membership account should be invested in Common Stocks, but as the Committee has been informed that it must limit itself to legal investments, it makes the following recommendations for the investment of \$11,240.00 now in the Life Membership account,

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Duquesne Light $3\frac{1}{2}\%$, due 6/1/65
City of Philadelphia bonds
Central Hudson Gas & Electric $3\frac{1}{2}\%$, due 3/1/65
Southern California Edison $3\frac{3}{4}\%$, due 5/1/60
Detroit Edison 4%, due 10/1/65
Metropolitan Edison 4%, due 5/1/71

The recommendations were approved, upon motion of Dr. McFarland, with the selection of particular bonds from the list left entirely in the hands of the Finance Committee.

Mr. William J. Serrill, Chairman, presented the following report of the Committee in Garden Awards, explaining that the rather flowery descriptions in the citations were written particularly for the owners of the prize-winning gardens.

The Committee on Garden Awards begs to submit the following report for the season 1935.

The Committee visited thirty-one gardens this year and recommends the following awards:

A GOLD MEDAL to Mrs. Samuel P. Rotan for her outstanding estate at Chestnut Hill, Philadelphia, Pa. The garden, copied after the design of the Henry VIII garden at Hampton Court, is located in front of the terrace at the end of the house. A sunken garden of rectangular shape, it constitutes in its features of masonry, statuary, and surrounding hedges, shrubbery and trees, and in the selection of its plant material, a perfect example of good taste in gardening. Restraint, so difficult to attain, and yet so essential as a feature in artistic design, is everywhere evident. The sense of intimate enclosure pervades. It is a garden of unusual beauty.

The house, a fine example of Tudor design, faces a spacious lawn, with tall straight-trunked trees, and a distant prospect of unusual beauty over the Whitemarsh Valley. The entrance, on the opposite side of the house, looks on a wide rising slope, beautifully formed into grassy terraces by three stone walls, surmounted by a spacious orchard. A long winding grass walk, flanked by a wide variety of shrubs, which skirts one side of the lawn, leads to a series of circular stone-paved platforms, designed for the entertainment of guests. Specimen trees and shrubs abound. Charm is the prevailing characteristic.

A SILVER MEDAL to Mr. and Mrs. Orville H. Bullitt for their residence, "Oxmoor", at Whitemarsh, Pa. From the back of the house, - a modern one of beautiful design, - a spacious stretch of open field extends to the gentle hills which bound the upper Wissahickon. And in this charming setting lies the garden. This is a walled garden of triangular shape. Within this triangle are formed three smaller triangular beds, each surrounded by a

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hedge which is quite novel. For these hedges, instead of being box or privet, are formed of espaliers of apple. The effect is unique. The garden is appropriately planted with flowering fruit trees and shrubbery. Passing through a gateway one comes to another charming enclosure with flower beds and a rose garden. It is evident that Mr. and Mrs. Bullitt take a keen personal interest in their garden, and that much of the work is done with their own hands.

A SILVER MEDAL to Dr. and Mrs. John H. Gibbon for their home, "Lynfield Farm", Media, Pa. An ancient farmhouse, unspoiled by any attempt at so-called "restoration", backed by a great stone barn showing an unbroken wall of unusual beauty, provides the keynote to this charming place, and all the surroundings have, with faultless taste, been developed in harmony therewith. At one end of the house a walk, consisting of a series of stone steps from terrace to terrace, flanked with border planting, leads down to a swimming pool nestled in a lovely enclosure of shrubbery. All unpretentious, but alluring - in keeping with the character of the house. At the other end of the house lies the herb garden, quite unique in its spaciousness, and its wide variety of sweet smelling and pungent plants. The unusual charm of this peaceful spot was enhanced by the loving enthusiasm and botanical lore displayed by Mrs. Gibbon in showing her treasures.

A SILVER MEDAL to Miss Alice G. Howland and Miss Eleanor O. Brownell for The Shipley School Cottage Garden, Gladwyne, Pa. This is a flower garden par excellence. From the terrace of the house, - a farm house restored and enlarged, - the garden extends by a gentle downward slope, with a luxuriance and brilliance of bloom quite unsurpassed. All that technical skill, unstinted enrichment and a discriminating taste in the blending of colors can do, has here been done. Lying surrounded by trees in a spacious lawn, with a distant prospect of hills beyond the Schuylkill as a background, the garden is a lovely one. At the foot of the garden, flanked by a low stone wall, lies the rose garden. Several rows of very narrow beds stretch side by side for a long distance through a perfect piece of lawn, and the rose bushes in these beds bear an unusual profusion of bloom. The effect is charming.

A GARDEN CERTIFICATE to Mr. and Mrs. Harry E. Kohn, of Merion, Pa., for their small garden of real beauty. This garden stands as an excellent illustration of what fine feeling and good taste may accomplish in a yard at the rear of the house.

A GARDEN CERTIFICATE to Mr. and Mrs. Edwin M. Lyons, of Bala, Pa., for their attractive garden at the rear of their home. This small garden owes its charm to the skill and enthusiasm of Mrs. Lyons. She has here created a perpetual source of joy and quiet pleasure.

The estimated cost of these medals and certificates is \$110.00. The budget allowance for 1935 is \$50.00. The recommended expense, therefore, exceeds the budget allowance in the sum of \$60.00.

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This increased expense is due to the recommendation of the gold medal award. This was not contemplated in the budget. The Rotan garden, however, is of such merit, being in all respects up to the gold medal standard, that the Committee decided to recommend it even although the Finance Committee or the Council may not approve of this increased expense this year. In such case, we recommend the award of the gold medal, accompanied with an explanation to the recipient that because of decreased income the actual delivery of the medal will be postponed.

For the information of the Council there is here given the gold medals so far awarded by this Committee:

Mr. and Mrs. Horatio Gates Lloyd	-	1929
Mr. and Mrs. J. Franklin McFadden	-	1930
Mr. and Mrs. Fitz Eugene Dixon	-	1931
Mr. and Mrs. Pierre S. duPont	-	1931 (Centenary Gold Medal)
Miss Caroline Sinkler	-	1933.

Respectfully submitted,

COMMITTEE ON GARDEN AWARDS

Mrs. Richard L. Barrows,
Mrs. Moncure Biddle,
Mrs. Benjamin Bullock,
Mrs. J. Thomas Ligget,
Mrs. G. R. Rebman, Jr.

(Signed) William J. Serrill, Chairman.

The question of whether to give the Gold Medal to Mrs. Rotan when announcing the award or to delay it until next year when it can be included in the budget was discussed along with another suggestion - namely, that the Society's Gold Medal Certificate be given instead of the actual Medal. In connection with this latter suggestion, Dr. McFarland described the attractive Gold Medal Certificate used most successfully by The American Rose Society. After serious consideration, it was decided not to accept either of these alternatives, and upon motion of Mrs. Newhall, it was voted to award the Gold Medal to Mrs. Rotan immediately, and it was further voted to accept the report of the Committee and to approve the recommendations in full.

Dr. J. Horace McFarland, Chairman of the Committee on Extending the Membership, reported progress for his Committee and mentioned specifically a letter from Mr. Hare suggesting that persons already members might be used as nuclei in certain localities for the formation of Society groups or Chapters. To this end, the Chairman has secured from the office a list of members who reside at outlying points from Philadelphia, with the names classified according to towns and counties, in order that a few groups may be used as test cases if desired.

In connection with stimulating membership, Mrs. Scott said she had noticed on the list of members elected at the present meeting that two had received memberships as prizes at local flower shows, and she therefore wished to make the suggestion that the Society use this form of prize at some of its own exhibitions.

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It was voted that this recommendation be passed on to the Exhibition Committee.

Mrs. Alvan Markle, Jr., the Society's delegate to the semi-annual meeting of the Garden Club Federation of Pennsylvania held in Pittsburgh on October 9th and 10th, read the following report:

At the business meeting Wednesday, October 9th, in the Schenley Hotel the reports of the individual clubs were condensed to the mention of one or two outstanding pieces of work besides flower shows and social activities. In connection with The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society, mention was made of Professor Wilde's trip through the State. Other worth while projects were the founding of many Junior Garden Clubs through the State (that was the special aim of the Federation last year); buying horticultural books for libraries; a two-year study of Narcissi undertaken by the Chambersburg Club; combatting the Dutch Elm disease and the Tent Caterpillar; planting around public buildings; garden contests; illustrated lecture donated to High School; and scholarships to Ambler Horticultural School.

Mrs. John W. Lawrence reported that the Bill Board Bill did get out of the committee and before the Senate, but was crushed by ten paid men. The Automobile Graveyard Bill was sent back to the committee, though only a very few junk men were against it. The Locater of gardens is now in the form of a card catalogue of gardens worth seeing and placed in large cities - Example: at the Federation rooms in Philadelphia and the Garden Center at Pittsburgh. Identification cards to Club members.

Conservation was decided upon as the point of emphasis for this coming year. A recommendation was passed that the new Superintendent of Education have conservation week observed in the schools. A month's survey of the State at the cost of \$500. was decided upon. Mr. and Mrs. Laughton are to motor taking photographs, making slides and presenting a report. The object is to acquaint people with the roadside situation in Pennsylvania. The Laughtons will lecture to Garden Clubs en route.

Mr. Ralph E. Griswold, Superintendent of Parks in Pittsburgh, cheered us by stating that the combined attendance of Flower Shows throughout the nation is greater than that at all football games!

The gardening enthusiasm which has arisen since the World War has resulted in our expanded range of plant material (important if rightly used) in many distinguished private gardens and in municipal and civic improvement. We still lack a fine instinct for community gardening which produced old English villages and Williamsburg. The creative instinct which still exists in this mechanical age may best be employed by gardening.

I must speak of The Garden Center. Pittsburgh was fortunate to obtain the use of a good sized one-story building opposite the Phipps Conservatory. The city cooperates in granting this concession building and now is installing heat to be piped from the conservatory. A director is in charge

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and local garden clubs supply hostesses to serve tea on certain days. The interior is attractively arranged and I saw several shelves of books.

Mr. Gordon Dunthorne's Lecture on "Oxford and its Gardens" was beautifully illustrated with old prints used as slides. I recommend it heartily to any club.

The Sewickley Gardens were not at their best at this season, but one got a very good idea of the layout. Evergreens are hard to grow in that section and need frequent replacement, so even those partly failed us. But I have never seen so many berries. After visiting five estates, taking tea at Mrs. Carroll P. Davis' and covering seventy-five miles we reached the Schenley exhausted, but happy.

In closing, I wish to give credit to Mrs. J. V. Hare, wife of our fellow board-member for the ease and ability with which she conducted the meetings. It was a pleasure to see her again. Also, I wish to say that Pennsylvania was most beautiful as I travelled along the Susquehanna and over the William Penn Highway - the mountains a mass of gorgeous color.

Respectfully submitted,

Gladys J. Markle

The President thanked Mrs. Markle for her interesting report, and upon motion of Mrs. Newhall, it was accepted and a special vote of appreciation extended to Mrs. Markle.

A request made by Mrs. Frank Graham Thomson that the Society place on sale in its rooms a garden calendar to be compiled by the Four Counties Garden Club was referred to the Council by the President. It was the feeling of the members that it would be proper to place the calendar on display in the rooms with a card attached stating the price and place where it could be purchased, but it was considered rather unwise to establish the precedent of handling actual sales. However, if it seems advisable to do so in this particular case, the Secretary is instructed to inform Mrs. Thomson that only cash sales that require no correspondence can be taken care of, and that the Society cannot undertake any publicity for the calendar or attend to mail orders.

Before the meeting adjourned, Dr. McFarland described a recent flower show in Texas at which cut roses were effectively displayed by being placed in tubes and inserted into soil, producing the pleasing impression that they were actually growing.

As there was no further business, the meeting on motion adjourned.

John C. Wister
JOHN C. WISTER
Secretary.

November 20, 1935.

The regular meeting of the EXECUTIVE COUNCIL of THE PENNSYLVANIA HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY was held in the rooms of the Society, 1600 Arch Street, on November 20, 1935, with the President, Mr. C. Frederick C. Stout, in the Chair.

Those present were: Mrs. William T. Elliott, Mrs. J. Norman Henry, Mrs. Arthur H. Scott, Mr. W. Atlee Burpee, Jr., Mr. J. Franklin McFadden, Dr. J. Horace McFarland, Mr. Alex MacLeod, Mr. Thomas W. Sears, Mr. William J. Serrill, Mr. C. F. C. Stout, Dr. Rodney H. True, Professor E. I. Wilde, and Mr. John C. Wister.

Regrets were received from Mrs. Alvan Markle, Jr., Mr. Morris R. Bockius, Mr. F. E. Dixon, Mr. F. R. Furness, and Mr. J. V. Hare.

The minutes of the meeting of October 16th were approved as published and distributed.

The Secretary reported the following office figures for the month of October: Library visitors, 125; General visitors, 115; Meetings in the Council Room, 9. Mr. Rust made 7 visits to gardens, and gave advice to 12 members in the office. During the year, 327 members have been added and 443 have resigned or have been dropped, making a net loss of 116. Personal letters are being sent this month to 1500 old members who have dropped out of the Society during the last four years, cordially inviting them to rejoin. These letters are signed by the Secretary and it hoped that with the improvement in economic conditions, many of these persons will wish to be reinstated.

The Secretary reported the theft of \$101.00 in cash and \$5.00 worth of stamps from the Society's rooms over the week-end of October 26th. The lock of the small metal box containing Petty Cash had been forced and the cash removed. The stamps were taken from another box in the metal cabinet, but nothing else was disturbed. A steel safe, with combination lock, has now been installed in the office.

Fourteen new members were elected, making the total membership 3,257.

The following members of the Executive Council, who were regularly nominated in September and whose names were published in "Horticulture" in accordance with the By-Laws, were re-elected to serve on the Council, upon motion of Mrs. Newhall, seconded by Dr. McFarland: For three year term - Mrs. J. Norman Henry, Mr. Morris R. Bockius, Mr. W. Atlee Burpee, Jr., Mr. J. Franklin McFadden, Mr. W. Hinckle Smith, Dr. Rodney H. True, and Mr. John C. Wister. For two years, to fill the unexpired term of Mr. William Warner Harper, Professor E. I. Wilde. An additional candidate, Mrs. Walter King Sharpe, of Chambersburg, who was nominated by Dr. McFarland at the October meeting, was elected for a three year term, upon motion of Mrs. Newhall, seconded by Mrs. Elliott.

The Executive Council now numbers twenty-two members, and the President reminded the members that although the By-Laws permit the number to be increased to thirty, the amendment authorizing this increase was made with the thought that members should be added gradually when it seemed particularly desirable. The following list of persons who have been proposed for the Council from time to time during the past year or so was read, and the President asked the members

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to keep them in mind for future consideration: Mrs. Edward M. Cheston, Mrs. W. K. duPont, Dr. John M. Fogg, Jr., Mrs. John Lawrence, Mrs. William R. Mercer, Mrs. Theodore S. Paul, Mrs. Josiah H. Penniman, Mr. Robert Pyle, Dr. Edgar T. Wherry, Mrs. Charles Willing and Miss Julia Y. Atkinson. The names of Mr. Robert Glendinning, proposed by Mrs. Newhall, and Mr. H. Gleason Mattoon, proposed by Mrs. Elliott, were added to the list.

The Secretary reported for the Exhibition Committee, in the absence of the Chairman, Mr. Hare. In connection with the Philadelphia Flower Show, he stated that the Committee recommended that \$200.00 be contributed toward the expenses of the exhibit of the Philadelphia Branch of the National Association of Gardeners, instead of the \$400.00 amount which was contributed last year. The Council approved this recommendation. The Secretary said there would be a further saving of \$200.00 due to the fact that the Society would not have the expenses connected with the exhibit of "Foods of the World", which was lent by the New York Botanical Garden last year but will not be repeated next year. He explained that any savings that can be effected are most welcome because the Committee in charge of the Society's classes will need a larger appropriation for staging the exhibits. Mr. Sears spoke briefly of the floor plan for the next Philadelphia Flower Show, explaining that more statuary will be used, a fountain will be the central feature of the hall, and a greater number of small exhibits will be shown.

Mrs. Elliott, Chairman, submitted a report for the Lecture Committee, a summary of which is as follows:

In the early part of 1935, the following lectures were presented:

- January 15 - "Twenty-five Years with Roses and Other Posies," (Illustrated)
Dr. J. Horace McFarland.
- January 29 - "How Plants Use the Soil," Dr. Edgar T. Wherry.
- February 5 - "The Golden Age of the Garden," (Illustrated)
Professor Frank A. Schrepfer.
- February 19 - "The Relations of Plants with Each Other,"
Dr. Rodney H. True.
- March 5 - "House Plants and Their Care," (Demonstrated)
Mr. David Rust.

Total Attendance, 626.

The Society also co-operated with the Philadelphia Branch of the National Association of Gardeners in a course of six educational talks.

Judging from past attendance, most of our members prefer illustrated horticultural lectures. This type of lecture has been selected for the regular Tuesday afternoon series for the coming winter, but in order to meet the desire of those who prefer more serious lectures, the Committee is arranging a subscription course of five lectures for Tuesday mornings.

The Gardeners are planning another series of educational lectures, similar to their course of last year, and the members of the Society will be given an opportunity to attend.

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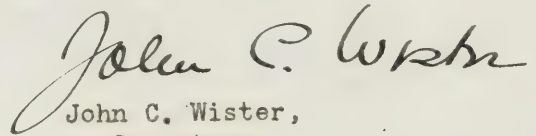
The President thanked Mrs. Elliott, and the report was ordered filed. In order to insure the requisite number of subscribers to the Special Lectures, several members of the Council agreed to subscribe. (A total of forty subscriptions, including those of ten Council members, was received by December 4.)

Mrs. Newhall reported additions to the Powel House Garden, mentioning gifts as follows: Bulbs from Mr. W. Atlee Burpee, Jr., and from the Hosea Waterer Company, Tree Peonies from Mr. Wister and plants from Mrs. William W. Frazier. Also, Dr. True has promised a number of Rhododendron plants. She extended a cordial invitation to the members of the Council to visit the garden and see the improvement for themselves.

Dr. McFarland asked the members of the Council to consider whether or not the large proportion of failure with Auratums and other important Lilies is due to the damage caused by elimination of basal roots by the growers before selling the bulbs. Having been defeated in his attempts to grow Lilies satisfactorily after the first year, Dr. McFarland explained that he has been interested in the theory that it was best to handle Lilies with roots and to treat them as herbaceous plants. This method has been advocated by Mr. Coutts and Mr. Woodcock, Lily experts of Kew Gardens. Dr. McFarland has discussed this method with Lily growers in this country and finds that Mrs. Mortimer J. Fox approves of it. Mr. William M. Craig first announced that he was favorably inclined to this treatment and that he had sold many lily bulbs with roots, but later he reversed himself. It was pointed out that the Lily growers in this country might make the change without much difficulty but that it would necessitate entirely different treatment of Lilies by the growers in Japan and China.

Mrs. Henry, a member of the Committee on recommending Honorary Members, proposed the following two persons for this distinction: Captain Kingdon Ward, of England, a famous plant collector and explorer and also an author of horticultural books, and Miss Isabella Preston, of Ottawa, Canada, who is well known for her hybridizing work with Lilies, Lilacs and Malus species at the Canadian Experimental Station. These candidates were approved and will be voted upon at the next meeting of the Executive Council. Mrs. Henry also mentioned Mr. W. E. Marshall, who has hybridized Lilies, and Mr. A. E. Kunderd for his work in improving Gladiolus, but it was decided that it would be better not to confer Honorary Memberships upon persons with commercial connections.

As there was no further business, the meeting, on motion, adjourned.


John C. Wister,
Secretary.

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ANNUAL MEETING

The Annual Meeting of THE PENNSYLVANIA HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY was held in the Insurance Company of North America Building, 1600 Arch Street, Philadelphia, on Wednesday, November 20, at 3:00 P. M., with the president, Mr. C. Frederick C. Stout, in the chair. Re-election of the following members to serve on the Executive Council for the next three years was announced: Mrs. J. Norman Henry, Mr. Morris R. Bokius, Mr. W. Atlee Burpee, Jr., Mr. J. Franklin McFadden, Mr. W. Hinckle Smith, Dr. Rodney H. True, and Mr. John C. Wister. Mrs. Walter King Sharpe, of Chambersburg, was elected as a new member of the Council for the three year term, and Professor E. I. Wilde, of The Pennsylvania State College, was elected for two years to fill an unexpired term.

Brief reports were presented by the president and secretary, in which they reviewed briefly the activities of the Society for the past year and mentioned some of the plans for the coming year. The president stated that the Society has added 327 members this year and lost 443, making a net loss of 116 and a present membership of 3247. He said that the Society has been operating under a slightly curtailed budget this year and has been successful in keeping its expenditures in line with its income.

The special feature of the afternoon was a lecture on "The Flora of the Lesser Antilles," delivered in a most interesting way by Mr. Fairman R. Furness, of Media, a member of the Executive Council. Mr. Furness illustrated his talk with forty water-colors, painted by himself from pen and ink sketches made during various winter sojourns in St. Croix and other islands of the West Indies. It is impossible to secure pictures of many of the rare flowers shown by Mr. Furness or to gain information about them in horticultural libraries, and in classifying and portraying this heretofore obscure (from a literary point of view) flora, Mr. Furness is making a decided contribution to scientific horticulture.


John C. Wister,
Secretary.

Note - One hundred and four members were present.

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The regular meeting of the EXECUTIVE COUNCIL of THE PENNSYLVANIA HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY was held in the rooms of the Society, 1600 Arch Street, on December 18, 1935, with the President, Mr. C. Frederick C. Stout, in the Chair.

Those present were: Mrs. William T. Elliott, Mrs. J. Norman Henry, Mrs. Arthur H. Scott, Mr. Morris R. Bockius, Mr. F. R. Furness, Mr. S. S. Pennock, Mr. William J. Serrill, Mr. C. F. C. Stout, and Mr. John C. Wister.

Regrets were received from Mrs. Alvan Markle, Jr., Mrs. Thomas Newhall, Mr. W. Atlee Burpee, Jr., Mr. F. E. Dixon, Mr. J. V. Hare, Mr. Alex MacLeod, Dr. J. Horace McFarland, Mr. Thomas W. Sears, Mr. W. Hinckle Smith, Dr. Rodney H. True, and Professor E. I. Wilde.

The minutes of the meeting of November 20 were approved as published and distributed.

The Secretary reported for the month of November as follows: There were 111 Library visitors, 85 General visitors and 9 meetings in the Council Room. Mr. Rust made 3 visits to gardens and was consulted by 26 members in the office. One hundred and four members attended the Annual Meeting on November 20, and enjoyed Mr. Furness' excellent talk on "The Flora of the Lesser Antilles". The first of the National Association of Gardeners evening lectures, on December 10, was attended by 61 persons.

Forty-four Annual Members, of whom 28 were former members who re-joined upon special invitation, were elected, upon motion of Mrs. Elliott, making the total membership 3,297.

Upon motion of Mr. Bockius, Miss Isabella Preston, of Ottawa, Canada, and Captain F. Kingdon Ward, of Maidenhead, Berkshire, England, were elected Honorary Members, having been approved at the November meeting.

Upon motion of Mr. Bockius, the Secretary was instructed to cast a single ballot re-electing the present officers, as follows: President, Mr. C. Frederick C. Stout; Vice-Presidents, Mr. William J. Serrill and Mr. John C. Wister; Treasurer, Mr. S. S. Pennock; Secretary, Mr. John C. Wister.

The President thanked the Council for their confidence in him, and then submitted a report for the year as presented by him at the Annual Meeting, a summary of which is as follows:

Anticipating a lower income in 1935 than in 1934, the standing committees made careful estimates of cash requirements for the year. Budget and income have worked out according to estimated figures and we expect to end the year without a deficit. The Treasurer's report will be published in the Year Book.

We began the year with 3,363 members, gained 327 and lost 443, making a net loss of 116 and paid-up membership of 3,247. Twenty-one Life Members have been secured this year.

Serious consideration has been given this year to the project of increasing our membership throughout the State. A committee was

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appointed, with Dr. J. Horace McFarland as Chairman. The original thought was that we might ultimately form Chapters in various centers. A preliminary survey of the situation is going on to ascertain if there is a real and practical approach to the project.

The Philadelphia Flower Show in March was an outstanding success. The plan was most beautiful, particularly the central section which was developed with border of blue hyacinths, flanked with Mr. Widener's Acacias radiating from a large lagoon in the center of the hall. This was designed by Mr. Thomas W. Sears, landscape architect and member of our Executive Council. Classes for amateurs and garden clubs were under the direction of the Society's Committee, of which Mrs. Otho E. Lane was Chairman. Your Society showed a set of colored lantern slides, in an electrically-operated machine, of the origin and growth of the Rose; co-operated with the Philadelphia Branch of the National Association of Gardeners by contributing \$400 toward the expenses of their exhibit, which included pruning and planting demonstrations and model greenhouse; secured an exhibit of the New York Botanical Garden, showing foods of the world and their sources, and paid transportation and other charges amounting to \$200. The Botanical Department of the University of Pennsylvania had a most instructive exhibit. Your Exhibition Committee considered that all of these exhibits had great educational value and warranted our support.

The Dahlia Show was held in Norristown on September 20 and 21, with the co-operation of the Norristown Garden Club. The Hardy Chrysanthemum Show was held in this building October 30 and 31.

The services of the Garden Consultant, Mr. Rust, have been in constant demand, and he has acted as Judge in twelve Flower Shows.

We would call again to the attention of our members "Horticulture", the semi-monthly periodical of the Massachusetts, New York, and Pennsylvania Horticultural Societies, and to our ever-increasing library which affords to our members what is probably the largest and best single collection of books and manuscripts devoted to Horticulture within the State.

Before closing, I wish to express my very keen appreciation of the services rendered by the Committees, by those members of our Council and of the Society who have taken part in our various activities, and by the members of the office staff.

The President was congratulated upon his report and, upon motion of Mr. Bockius, the Council voted that it be published in the forthcoming Year Book.

Mrs. J. Norman Henry, Chairman, reported briefly for the Library Committee, a summary of her remarks being as follows: During 1935, 172 new books were added to the shelves, of which number 64 were gifts. The total number of volumes is now 4,050. There have been 1,305 visitors to the Library, and 806 books have been circulated. Books have been sent by mail to 62 members. The budget appropriation for the Library was \$550.00, of which \$538.78

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has been spent, leaving a balance of \$11.22.

The report was accepted and ordered filed, and a vote of thanks was extended to Mrs. Henry, upon motion of Mr. Bockius.

Mrs. William T. Elliott, Chairman of the Lecture Committee, reported that 42 subscriptions have been received for the Special Lectures on Plant Material. She asked advice about charging a small admission price to the Society's regular lectures next season, and Mr. Furness and other members expressed the opinion that it would be a wise thing to do.

The Secretary read letters from Mr. John Scheepers, Chairman of a new committee to "Promote the Welfare of the Lily in all its Phases" formed by The Horticultural Society of New York. He asked that a representative from this Society be named, adding that at the present time no financial contribution would be expected. The work of the former committee on Lily Disease Investigation was supported by annual contributions of \$1,000.00 each by The Horticultural Society of New York, the Boyce Thompson Institute and Cornell University.

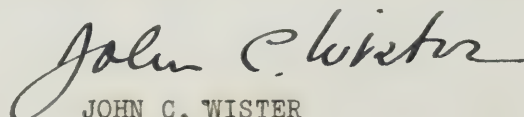
With the approval of the Council, the President appointed Dr. J. Horace McFarland to represent the Society on the new Lily Committee, with the distinct understanding that the Society cannot give financial assistance to the work next year.

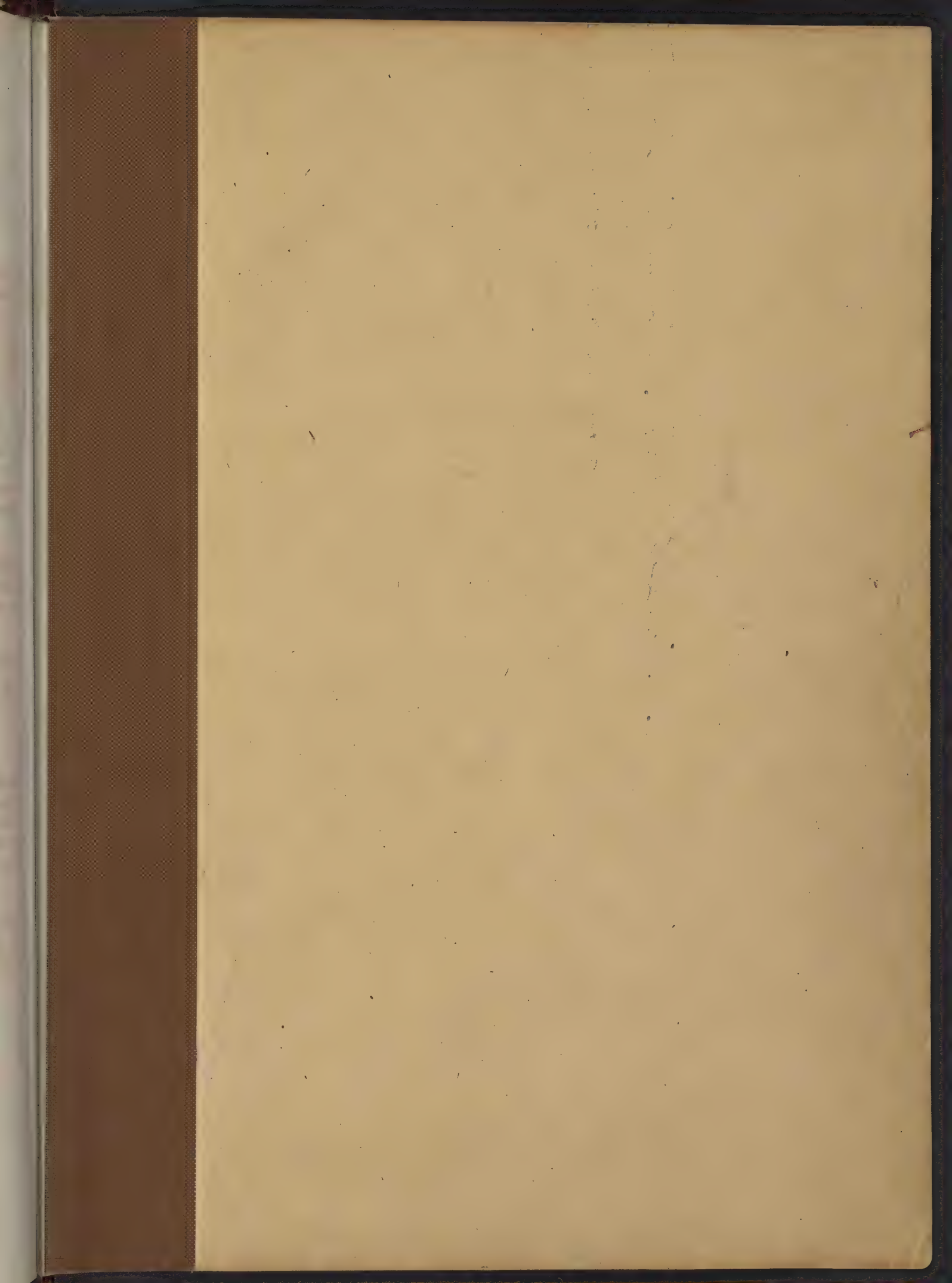
The Secretary read a letter, addressed to the Society as one of the member organizations of the Garden Club Federation of Pennsylvania, asking for suggestions in regard to sites for roadside beautification and also presenting the great necessity at present of either club or individual financial support of the Massachusetts Billboard Law Defense fund.

Mrs. J. Norman Henry, Chairman of the Committee in charge of the subscription luncheon to be given in March during the week of the Philadelphia Flower Show, told the Council she would like to have an appropriation of \$75.00 for incidental expenses of the luncheon, explaining that she hopes she will not have to use the entire amount but wishes to have it available if needed.

The Secretary reported a gift of a lantern and 48 slides, comprising views of Japan, China, and Hawaii, to the Society by Mrs. Caspar W. Hacker, and upon motion of Mr. Bockius, a vote of thanks was passed and the Secretary was instructed to notify Mrs. Hacker of the Council's appreciation of her gift.

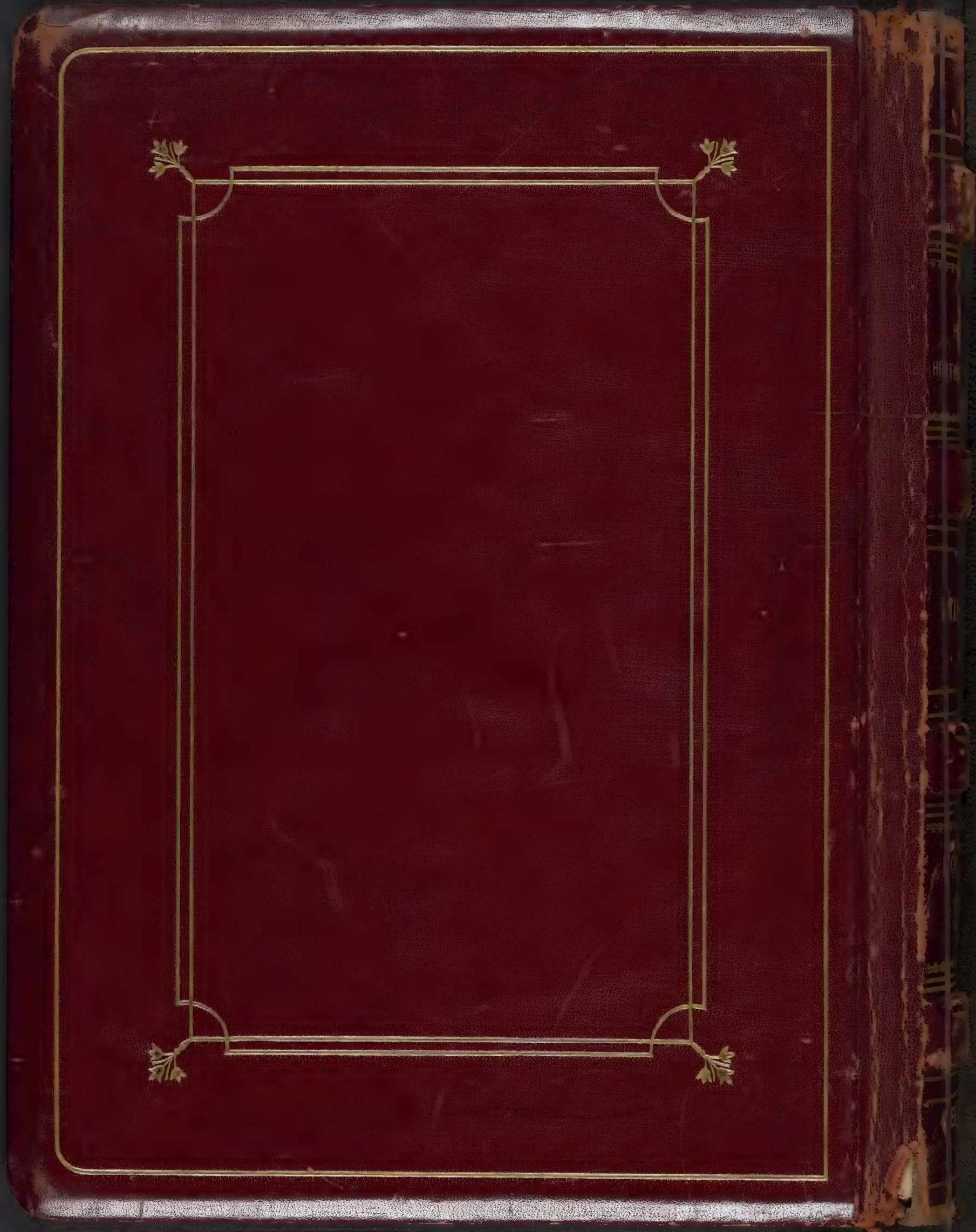
As there was no further business, the meeting, upon motion, adjourned.


JOHN C. WISTER
Secretary.









MAJORITY REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON GARDEN DAYS

December 8, 1932.

Mr. C. Frederick C. Stout,
President, The Pennsylvania
Horticultural Society.

Dear Sir:

The Committee on Garden Days appointed by you met the Committee of the Pennsylvania School of Horticulture last spring for a preliminary discussion of the question but without result. It met again in the rooms of the Society on Thursday afternoon, December 8th, to consider the communication from the School's Committee of November 3rd. Present:- Mrs. William T. Elliott, Mrs. J. Norman Henry, Mr. John C. Wister and the Chairman.

All letters, about ten in number, received from the Council members in reply to the Committee's request for opinions and suggestions, were carefully considered. Your Committee, in conformity with the School's request for counter-proposals if those in its letter were not found satisfactory, makes the following majority report and recommendations:

FIRST - That the suggestion of the School to cancel the present arrangement be concurred in, as without its being the Society's intention, it appeared from the data submitted the present plan was detracting from the paid admissions on School Garden Days.

SECOND - That the two plans to replace present arrangement offered by the School be not accepted. The first, suggesting the purchase of a limited number of tickets for Garden Days at a reduced price, was construed by the majority as meaning fewer than the Society's total membership. This was not believed practicable, as the Society cannot create a favored class among its membership; the second that the Society give ten per-cent of its dues from members to the School in return for free admission is also not practicable, as contracting to give any definite percentage of its income to the School is in principle wrong. As a matter of fact, the donation of \$850.00 this year to the School was about nine per-cent of the dues from the Society's active memberships.

THIRD - That the Society enters into no agreement to not have Garden Days, reserving to itself that right whether it have any or not.

FOURTH - That the Society makes a contribution for the year 1933 to the School of an amount to be decided by the Council, this contribution to be a gift without compensation in the way of free admissions or other privileges. This keeps the contribution as originally intended - as a direct aid to the School's purpose without any drawback.

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FIFTH - That the Society considers the advisability of having a few Garden Days, perhaps two or three on days other than the School's usual Saturdays, to which no admission fee or card of admission be required but open to members of the Society and friends actually accompanying them. These Days could be, for example, for the gardens to which the Society has made Garden Awards, or any garden not on the School list for that year.

In explanation of the Committee's recommendations, while it was not the intention of the Society to detract from the School's revenue from paid admissions, yet it must do so if an individual can by joining the Society have admission to all the Days for the \$3.00 Society's membership dues, instead of paying the School \$5.00 for a season ticket of admission. Any loss of membership arising from the cancellation of this privilege cannot be considered a valid objection, as the Society naturally does not wish to secure members to the disadvantage of the School financially.

The Committee felt that any arrangement for partial or complete free admissions nullified the gift feature of any contribution and would continue to create discontent on the part of the School management and that no arrangement was desirable that contained that feature. It was the belief of the Committee that any Garden Days of the Society would not entail any expense to the Society other than the printing and mailing of the notice. It was the opinion of the Committee that as the dissatisfaction with the arrangement this past summer was purely financial that a contribution with no free admission privilege was giving the School in another form even more than it requested, but in a form free from contention in the future and tending to maintain the existing present cordial relations.

Respectfully submitted,

J. Franklin McFadden, Chairman,
Anna Elliott
Mary G. Henry

THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY
WASHINGTON, D. C.
JANUARY 10, 1918

SIR: I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 7th inst. in relation to the matter of the appointment of a chaplain to the 1st Cavalry Division, and in reply to inform you that the same has been forwarded to the proper authorities for their consideration.

I am, Sir, very respectfully,
Yours very truly,
J. H. HAYDEN
Major General, Adjutant General

Very truly yours,
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MINORITY REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON GARDEN DAYS

December 20, 1932.

Mr. C. Frederick C. Stout,
President, The Pennsylvania
Horticultural Society.

Dear Sir:

As I am not in agreement with the Majority Report of the Committee on Garden Days, I beg permission to present this Minority Report.

I feel that the majority of the Committee did not give sufficient weight to the historical background of Garden Days, as outlined in your recent letter to Mr. McFadden, or the effect of taking one more privilege away from our members in 1933, when the tickets to the March Flower Show have already been reduced from two per member to one per member.

It seems to me that the Committee did not consider seriously enough the desire of the School of Horticulture to continue co-operation with us. In a recent letter to me, Miss Blakiston emphasized that the School had never wished their official letter to be considered as an ultimatum, but as information to be used for further negotiations. This is emphasized in the Report itself in a request for counter-proposals if the two suggestions mentioned by the School were not acceptable to us.

I believe the situation important enough to warrant our giving serious consideration to counter-proposals, if the two suggestions of the School are not acceptable to us.

I do not agree that both the plans offered by the School are impossible, impractical or unwise. The Committee has considered the School's suggestion of a limited number of tickets to be less than one ticket per member, thereby making it necessary to choose among our members as to who shall get a ticket. There is nothing in Miss Blakiston's letter that indicates she means less than one ticket per member, but even if that were meant, it might well be possible for us to purchase lots of say 1,000 tickets and to send them only to such members as applied for them. I do not agree that it is wrong in principle to contract to give a definite proportion of our income for any one privilege. We are doing exactly that in the case of "Horticulture", which goes to all our members and which is costing us twenty-five per-cent of our yearly dues. Other items on the budget could similarly be reduced to a percentage basis if desired. It is a question of the use of the word "per-cent", it seems to me entirely proper that the Society should contract to pay the School 30¢ per member, 40¢ per member, 50¢ per member or whatever sum could be agreed upon.

The School has asked for counter-proposals. As the Committee has not made any I, as the minority member, wish to suggest the following alternate counter proposals:-

(1) That the Society retain the same privilege as last year and that instead of paying 22¢ per member as we did last year, that this sum be

DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE

1776

United States of America
in Congress assembled

When in the course of human events, it becomes necessary for one people to dissolve the political bands which have connected them with another, and to assume among the powers of the earth, the separate and equal station to which the laws of nature and of nature's God entitle them, a decent respect to the opinions of mankind requires that they should declare the causes which impel them to the separation.

We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness. — That to secure these rights, Governments are instituted among Men, deriving their just powers from the consent of the governed, — That whenever any Form of Government becomes destructive of these ends, it is the Right of the People to alter or to abolish it, and to institute new Government, laying its foundation on such principles and organizing its powers in such form, as to them shall seem most likely to effect their Safety and Happiness. Prudence, in such a case, wisely suggests that a good People ought to be able to do this; it is equally wise that they should avoid the frequent change of Government, which is one of the principal causes of civil discord and anarchy, and consequently, of the ruin of the State.

Now in the second year of the existence of the United States, we find the Government of the United States, in the exercise of its legislative powers, has passed an Act, the title of which is, "An Act to amend the Act, passed on the 22d day of September, 1774, in relation to the Trade and Commerce of the United States, and to alter the said Act, in so far as it relates to the Trade and Commerce of the United States." This Act, in the first section, declares that the Trade and Commerce of the United States, shall be regulated by the said Act, and in the second section, it declares that the said Act, shall be amended, in so far as it relates to the Trade and Commerce of the United States.

It is the duty of the Representatives of the United States, in Congress assembled, to declare the causes which impel them to the separation of the United States from Great Britain, and to declare the causes which impel them to the separation of the United States from Great Britain, and to declare the causes which impel them to the separation of the United States from Great Britain.

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MINORITY REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON GARDEN DAYS

December 20, 1932.

Mr. C. Frederick C. Stout,
President, The Pennsylvania
Horticultural Society.

Dear Sir:

As I am not in agreement with the Majority Report of the Committee on Garden Days, I beg permission to present this Minority Report.

I feel that the majority of the Committee did not give sufficient weight to the historical background of Garden Days, as outlined in your recent letter to Mr. McFadden, or the effect of taking one more privilege away from our members in 1933, when the tickets to the March Flower Show have already been reduced from two per member to one per member.

It seems to me that the Committee did not consider seriously enough the desire of the School of Horticulture to continue co-operation with us. In a recent letter to me, Miss Blakiston emphasized that the School had never wished their official letter to be considered as an ultimatum, but as information to be used for further negotiations. This is emphasized in the Report itself in a request for counter-proposals if the two suggestions mentioned by the School were not acceptable to us.

I believe the situation important enough to warrant our giving serious consideration to counter-proposals, if the two suggestions of the School are not acceptable to us.

I do not agree that both the plans offered by the School are impossible, impractical or unwise. The Committee has considered the School's suggestion of a limited number of tickets to be less than one ticket per member, thereby making it necessary to choose among our members as to who shall get a ticket. There is nothing in Miss Blakiston's letter that indicates she means less than one ticket per member, but even if that were meant, it might well be possible for us to purchase lots of say 1,000 tickets and to send them only to such members as applied for them. I do not agree that it is wrong in principle to contract to give a definite proportion of our income for any one privilege. We are doing exactly that in the case of "Horticulture", which goes to all our members and which is costing us twenty-five per-cent of our yearly dues. Other items on the budget could similarly be reduced to a percentage basis if desired. It is a question of the use of the word "per-cent", it seems to me entirely proper that the Society should contract to pay the School 30¢ per member, 40¢ per member, 50¢ per member or whatever sum could be agreed upon.

The School has asked for counter-proposals. As the Committee has not made any I, as the minority member, wish to suggest the following alternate counter proposals:-

(1) That the Society retain the same privilege as last year and that instead of paying 22¢ per member as we did last year, that this sum be

MINORITY REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON GARDEN DAYS

December 30, 1933.

Mr. C. Frederick C. Stone,
President, The Pennsylvania
Horticultural Society.

Dear Sir:

As I am not in agreement with the Majority Report of the Committee on Garden Days, I beg permission to present this Minority Report.

I feel that the majority of the Committee did not give sufficient weight to the historical background of Garden Days, as outlined in your recent letter to Mr. McWhorter, or the effect of taking away the privilege away from our members in 1933, when the tickets to the Marsh Flower Show have already been reduced from two per member to one per member.

It seems to me that the Committee did not consider seriously enough the desire of the School of Horticulture to continue co-operation with us. In a recent letter to me, Miss Blackston emphasized that the School had never wished their official letter to be considered as an ultimatum, but as information to be used for further negotiations. This is emphasized in the report itself in a request for counter-proposals if the two suggestions mentioned by the School were not acceptable to us.

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The School has asked for counter-proposals. As the Committee has not made any, as the minority member, wish to suggest the following approximate counter-proposals:-

(1) That the Society retain the same privilege as last year and that instead of paying 52% per member as we did last year, that this sum be

EXPENDITURES OF THE SOCIETY ARRANGED TO SHOW COMPARATIVE COST
PER ENTIRE MEMBERSHIP AND PER MEMBERS USING THE PRIVILEGE

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Privilege	Expenditure	Cost per Member Based on 3600 Members	No. of Members Using Privilege	Cost per Member Who Use Privilege
Garden Days	Paid School \$ 850.00	\$.22	3123	\$.27
	Actual Expense 998.40	.24	3123	.32
Philadelphia Flower Show 1932 2 Tickets per Member	2,357.98	.66	7200	.33
1933 1 Ticket per Member	3,150.02	.86	3671	.86 (Estimated on present mem- bership)
Yearbook	1,622.49	.45		
Lectures	600.00	.16	905	.66
Horticulture	2,930.09	.81		
Overhead and Miscellaneous	11,098.24	3.09		
Exhibitions (Exclusive of March Show)	3,204.64	.89	1000	3.20
Library	3,975.00	1.10	902	4.41
Gardening Consultant *	2,000.00	.55	87	22.99

* Gardening consultant includes judging at shows and giving lectures where attendance was not known.

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EXPENDITURES OF THE SOCIETY ARRANGED TO SHOW COMPARATIVE COST
PER ENTIRE MEMBERSHIP AND PER MEMBER USING THE PRIVILEGE

Privileges	Expenditures	Cost per Member Based on 3600 Members	No. of Members Using Privilege	Cost per Member Who Use Privilege
Garden Days	Paid School \$ 980.00	\$.27	3123	\$.27
	Actual Expense 988.40	.27	3123	.27
Flower Show 1932 2 Tickets per Member	\$ 2,587.88	.88	1200	.88
1933 1 Ticket per Member	\$ 1,150.02	.88	2871	.88 (Estimated on present mem- bership)
Yearbook	1,822.49	.46		
Lectures	600.00	.16	906	.66
Botanicals	\$ 2,920.09	.81		
Overhead and Miscellaneous	11,098.24	3.09		
Exhibitions (Exclusive of Flower Show)	\$ 2,204.84	.88	1000	2.20
Library	\$ 2,976.00	1.10	902	4.41
Gardening Consultant *	\$ 2,000.00	.56	87	22.99

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